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I take pleasure in presenting to the Members of the Legislature, municipal officials and other interested parties, the 1983 edition of the Alberta Municipal Assistance Programs. This publication is an inventory of grants and cost-sharing programs implemented for the benefit of Alberta Municipalities and other local government entities.

The material deals primarily with provincial financial assistance programs, however, certain federal programs have been included, particularly those which are co-ordinated by the province under agreement.

Basic information is provided in a concise format and the departmental contact is identified for each program. This publication is for reference purposes only and is not intended as a substitute for the Provincial Statutes, regulations or specific instructions and explanatory material issued from time to time by the various provincial government departments.

This year marks the sixth consecutive year of publishing and the seventh such issue since its inception in 1976. The material was compiled by the staff of the Municipal Services Branch, Alberta Municipal Affairs. Municipal Affairs acknowledges the valuable contribution all departments have made over the years and expresses its appreciation to all officials for their time and effort expended to complete this publication.

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FOREWORD

This 1983 revised listing of Alberta Municipal Assistance programs replaces the 1982 publication in its entirety. This revised edition reflects any changes, additions or deletions to the provincial assistance programs. These additions and deletions are reflected in appendix "A" and "B". Program transfers to other or new departments and consolidations of programs are reflected in appendix "C". Although there has been little change to Alberta Transportation programs the booklet format in this publication is divided into rural and urban sections to facilitate more efficient use by rural and urban municipalities.

The various provincial grants and cost sharing programs have been compiled in this publication to provide municipal officials, government employees and the general public with concise descriptions of the numerous programs currently available to Alberta Municipalities, to other government entities and to organizations undertaking co-operative projects. Also included in this survey of available programs are those jointly funded by the Federal and Provincial governments.

The information contained in this booklet is NOT a complete inventory of the provincial assistance programs as programs for individual or non-government organizations have been specifically excluded except for some multi-faceted programs as outlined under Alberta Recreation and Parks. The primary purpose of this publication is for reference only with more detailed information to be obtained from the contact person(s) listed on each program.

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ALBERTA
AGRICULTURE

AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To assist rural municipalities in providing agricultural services and programs for the farming public. Includes demonstrations and introductions of farm practices, conservation programs, and activities that would be difficult for the community to provide without an organized agency.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to all Alberta rural municipalities.

DESCRIPTION -- Each board prepares a tentative plan outlining proposed activities in concert with department officials and subject to annual guidelines. The four major section areas are:

1. Engineering and Rural Services - in projects of administration, advisory committees, training,

2. Animal Industry projects - in areas of livestock improvement and protection,

3. Plant Industry projects - in area of weed control, field crops, pest control, soil conservation, horticulture and tree planting,

4. Extension, Home Economics and 4H - in projects of agriculture and home making.

FINANCING -- Payments are made through Agriculture Service Board grant claims, based on the previously approved plan.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1983/84
	$3,900,000

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government, the authority provided by the Agricultural Service Board Act.

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AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES CAPITAL GRANT

OBJECTIVES -- To provide agricultural services to the rural community.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to all chartered Class B, C, and D Agricultural Societies within the Province who have not received this grant before.

DESCRIPTION -- This is a one-time grant that must be used for capital purposes such as construction of a building or renovations or improvements, to facilitate any programs of the Agricultural Society. The grant may also be used to retire any outstanding Agricultural Society capital debt. Application forms can be obtained from Alberta Agriculture.*

FINANCING -- The amount of the grant or aggregate of grants shall not exceed $75,000. Disbursement does not have to be done all at one time, however, no grant shall exceed 2/3 of the total cost of any capital project. The other 1/3 of the cost must be raised by the Agricultural Society.

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that was implemented in 1972. It has no known termination date.

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* Agricultural Societies within a municipality may also be able to apply either by themselves or in conjunction with the local municipal government for the Major Cultural/Recreation Facility Development Program described on page 24 of this publication.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES OPERATING GRANT

OBJECTIVES -- To alleviate part of the operating costs incurred by Agricultural Societies operating multi-purpose facilities.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is only available to those Agricultural Societies that are actively operating their own recreational facilities. Furthermore, Agricultural Societies currently receiving Alberta Recreation and Parks, Project Cooperation Grants are **NOT** eligible for this grant.

DESCRIPTION -- This is an annual grant which will pay a portion of the operating costs incurred by Agricultural Societies operating multi-purpose facilities. Application forms can be obtained from Alberta Agriculture.

FINANCING -- There are two operating grants available from Alberta Agriculture depending upon the category of fair that the Agricultural Society operates.

Class B - A basic grant of $3,000 for the first day of an approved fair or exhibition; $2,000 is paid for each additional day of approved activity to a maximum of $50,000.

Class C and D - During the calendar year, 50% of the cost of insurance and utilities up to a maximum of $5,000 will be eligible for assistance under this program.

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that was implemented on April 1, 1979. It has no known termination date.

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BACTERIAL RING ROT CONTROL POLICY

OBJECTIVES -- To control the pest bacterial ring rot in potatoes.

ELIGIBILITY -- Available to Alberta rural municipalities where table stock potatoes are grown commercially.

DESCRIPTION -- Bacterial ring rot is a pest by authority of the Agricultural Pests Act which must be controlled and eradicated. Each cooperating municipality will be paid an annual grant by the Department. Sufficient commercial production is required for a municipality to be eligible.

FINANCING -- A grant of $50. per potato grower plus $1. per acre of potatoes.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1983/84
	$22,000

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program.

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SEED CLEANING PLANT PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To assure clean seed grain for farmers within a municipality the Department of Agriculture will, by agreement with the rural municipality or rural districts, as provided in the Agricultural Service Boards Act, assist financially in the construction, replacement or upgrading of one or more centrally located seed cleaning plants within a district.

ELIGIBILITY -- This Program is available to all Alberta rural municipalities.

DESCRIPTION -- The Department of Agriculture may accept or reject any application by a municipality for assistance. An Agricultural Service Board must be formed within the District or Districts, and be in operation to the satisfaction of the Department of Agriculture. One or more municipalities must be financially involved along with the Department of Agriculture.

FINANCING -- Involves cost sharing between the Department of Agriculture, the municipality and farmers.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1983/84
	$1,435,000

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program.

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CULTURE

CEMETERY RESTORATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- A grant to assist in the restoration of pre-1945 inactive cemeteries or inactive sections of cemeteries that are still in use and individual graves belonging to those people who made significant contribution to the immediate locality, to the general district, or to the Province of Alberta.

ELIGIBILITY -- Grants may be applied for by:

a) a municipality located in Alberta, including a city, town, village, summer village, new town, county, municipal district, improvement district, a hospital district, a school district including those in national park or a special area,

b) an organization incorporated under The Societies Act, Part 9 of the Companies Act, or if incorporated as a charitable organization, under a special Act of the Legislature,

c) an Indian Band as defined in the Indian Act (Canada).

DESCRIPTION -- This grant is available for fencing, landscaping, leveling grave depressions, erecting commemorative plaques and cairns, and providing information concerning unmarked graves. Grants may not be used for the general upgrading and maintenance of cemeteries where burials are taking place.

FINANCING -- The grant is available in the amount of 50% of total project costs, exclusive of federal or other provincial contributions, to a maximum of $2,000. Grants are available on a first-come, first served basis to the limit of funds appropriated by the Legislature in any one fiscal year.

Generally, the grant will be available as follows:

a) 50% of the estimated total grant at the outset of the project, and

b) the balance of 50% of the actual total grant at the completion of the project to the Minister's satisfaction.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$60,000	$60,000	$60,000

TIME FRAME -- This is a recently implemented program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

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HISTORICAL PUBLICATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- A grant to aid in the printing or reprinting of a specified historical publication which deals with an aspect of Alberta's natural or human resources.

ELIGIBILITY -- Grants may be applied for by a municipality, a school or hospital district, an incorporated Agricultural Society or Women's Institute, a group incorporated under the Societies Act, Part 9 of the Companies Act, or if incorporated as a charitable organization, under a Special Act of the Legislature, and an Indian Band as defined under the Indian Act (Canada).

DESCRIPTION -- This program will cover a portion of the printing and editorial costs associated with the publication of local and regional histories pertaining to Alberta's natural or human history. For grant purposes, editorial work may include the following tasks:

- editing (rewriting, cutting, arranging, re-arranging),
- indexing (general, photographic, subject),
- arrangement of pre-selected pictures and articles,
- proof-reading final manuscript and the printer's proofs,
- travel costs incurred on trips to the printer's for editorial consultation.

FINANCING -- The grant is available in the amount of 10% of the printing costs and 50% of fees paid by the applicant for editorial services, to a maximum of $5,000. 50% of the eligible total grant may be applied for upon receipt of printing estimates and will be based on 10% of the printer's estimate, plus 50% of the estimated fee to be paid by the applicant for editorial services performed by a suitable qualified person(s). The balance of the eligible total grant is available upon receipt of both the printer's final invoice and the final statement of editorial fees paid and three copies of the publication. The final grant payment will then be adjusted accordingly.

DEADLINE -- Applications for funding under this program are to be submitted to Alberta Culture on or before September 30th in the grant year. When the volume of applications exceeds the budget allocation as approved by the Legislature in any one fiscal year, the applications will be pro-rated on the basis of the limited budget.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$50,000	$151,633	$151,633

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

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LOCAL HISTORIC RESOURCE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- A grant to aid in the restoration, preservation, protection or commemoration of a historic resource which is primarily of local historic interest, where such historic resource has been approved by the Minister as having importance and interest in relation to the history of the municipality or locality.

ELIGIBILITY -- Grants are available to a municipal authority, any non-profit organization that is incorporated in Alberta, or an Indian Band as defined in the Indian Act (Canada).

DESCRIPTION -- This grant may be used for:

a) obtaining initial professional advice, cost estimates and the preparation of plans directly associated with the preservation of a historic resource,

b) any work to restore, preserve or protect the original structural features,

c) the purchase, installation, repair or improvement of the electrical, mechanical, heating and plumbing systems where, in the opinion of the Minister, such work will not detract from the historic value of the historic resource and is essential to its preservation,

d) the salvage, restoration or repair of furnishings, decorative and functional fixtures, equipment and artifacts, integral to the preservation of the historic resource,

e) work to develop the grounds of a historic resource where, in the opinion of the Minister, such development is necessary for the restoration or protection of the historic resource, and where this will not detract from its historical value,

f) the design, construction and installation of an interpretive or commemorative plaque, cairn, sign or marker,

g) the purchase of a historic resource where it is shown to the satisfaction of the Minister that such a purchase was the best means of saving it from damage or destruction.

FINANCING -- The Local Historic Resource grant is available in an amount up to 50% of:

a) funds actually spent on the project from non-provincial and non-federal government sources, and

b) contributions of materials and labour, up to a maximum of 50% of funds actually spent, to a maximum of $5,000.

Municipalities and other organizations will normally be limited to one project grant per year. Any single historic resource will normally be funded only once.

Generally, the grant will be available as follows:

a) 50% of the estimated total grant at the outset of the project, and

b) the balance of 50% of the actual total grant at the completion of the project, to the Minister's satisfaction.

DEADLINE -- Applications for funding under this program are to be submitted to Alberta Culture on or before either April 30th or September 30th in the grant year.

All applications for funding will be adjudicated by the Historic Sites Board on the basis of merit funding criteria as outlined in the grant policy statement. Funding under this program is limited to the amount of monies appropriated by the Legislature in any one fiscal year.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$25,000	$45,000	$45,000

TIME FRAME -- This is a recent program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

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PROVINCIAL HISTORIC RESOURCE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- A grant to aid in the restoration, preservation or protection of a site or structure which has been officially designated by the Minister as a Provincial Historic Resource.

ELIGIBILITY -- Grants may be applied for by the owner of the designated Provincial Historic Resource.

DESCRIPTION -- This grant may be used for:

a) obtaining initial professional advice, cost estimates and the preparation of plans directly associated with the preservation of a Provincial Historic Resource,

b) any work to restore, preserve or protect the original structural features,

c) the purchase, installation, repair or improvement of the electrical, mechanical, heating and plumbing systems where, in the opinion of the Minister, such work will not detract from the historical value of the site and is essential to the preservation of the Provincial Historic Resource.

d) the salvage, restoration or repair of furnishings, decorative and functional fixtures, equipment and artifacts, integral to the preservation of the Provincial Historic Resource,

e) work to develop the grounds of a Provincial Historic Resource where, in the opinion of the Minister, such development is necessary for the restoration or protection of the site and where this will not detract from its historical value,

f) the design, construction and installation of an interpretive or commemorative plaque, cairn, sign or marker.

FINANCING

a) Basic Grant - A basic grant may be applied for in the amount of the current year's total assessed property taxes to a maximum of $1,000. The application for such a grant must be accompanied by a copy of the official tax notice and a copy of the receipt for payment.

b) Supplementary Grant - A grant may be applied for in the amount of 50% of:

   i) the amount accepted by the Minister as the total cost of a project, and

   ii) where the contributions of materials and labour have been made or pledged towards the project, such contributions up to a maximum of 25% of the total project costs in (i) above, to a maximum of $15,000 per year or $75,000 over a five year period.

DEADLINE -- Applications for funding under this program are to be submitted to Alberta Culture on or before April 30th in the grant year.

All applications for funding under this program will be adjudicated by the Historic Sites Board on the basis of merit funding criteria as outlined in the grant policy statement. Funding under this program is limited to the amount of monies appropriated by the Legislature in any one fiscal year.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$384,588	$404,893	$404,893

TIME FRAME -- This is a recent program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

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REGISTERED HISTORIC RESOURCE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- A grant to aid in the restoration, preservation or protection of a site or structure which has been officially designated by the Minister as a Registered Historic Resource.

ELIGIBILITY -- Grants may be applied for by the owner of the designated Registered Historic Resource.

DESCRIPTION

a) for obtaining initial professional advice, cost estimates and the preparation of plans directly associated with the preservation of a Registered Historic Resource,

b) for any work to restore, preserve or protect the original structural features,

c) for the purchase, installation, repair or improvement of the electrical, mechanical, heating and plumbing systems where, in the opinion of the Minster, such work will not detract from the historical value of the site and is essential to the preservation of the Registered Historic Resource,

d) for the salvage, restoration or repair of furnishings, decorative and functional fixtures, equipment and artifacts, integral to the preservation of the Registered Historic Resource,

e) for work to develop the grounds of a Registered Historic Resource where, in the opinion of the Minster, such development is necessary for the restoration or protection of the site and where this will not detract from its historical value,

f) for the design, construction and installation of an interpretive or commemorative plaque, cairn, sign or marker.

FINANCING -- A grant may be applied for in the amount of 50% of:

a) the amount accepted by the Minister as the total cost of a project, and

b) where contributions of material and labour have been made or pledged towards the project, such contributions up to a maximum of 25% of the total project costs, in (a) above, to a maximum of $5,000 per year of $25,000 over a five year period.

DEADLINE -- Applications for funding under this program are to be submitted to Alberta Culture on or before April 30th in the grant year.

All applications for funding under this program will be adjudicated by the Historic Sites Board on the basis of merit funding criteria as outlined in the grant policy statement. Funding under this program is limited to the amount of monies appropriated by the Legislature in any one fiscal year.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	included as part of the Provincial Historic Resource Assistance Program	included as part of the Provincial Historic Resource Assistance Program	included as part of the Provincial Historic Resource Assistance Program

TIME FRAME -- This is a recent program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

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SPECIAL HISTORICAL PROJECT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- A grant to assist in the execution of a special project related to the development, preservation, study, interpretation or promotion of the appreciation of Alberta's historical resources. Qualifying projects could include the making of tape recordings of early residents, cultural traditions or the commemoration of an historical event.

ELIGIBILITY -- Grants may be applied for by:

a) a municipality and a hospital or school district,

b) an organization incorporated under the Societies Act, Part 9 of the Companies Act, or if incorporated as a charitable organization, under a special Act of the Legislature,

c) an Indian Band as defined under the Indian Act (Canada).

FINANCING -- The grant is available in the amount of 50% of the project costs, exclusive of federal or other provincial contributions, to a maximum of $1,000.

Grants are available on a first-come, first-served basis to the limit of funds appropriated by the Legislature in any one fiscal year. Further grants will be allowable after all museums and organizations have been considered once per fiscal year.

Generally, the grant will be available as follows:

a) 50% of the estimated total grant at the outset of the project, and

b) the balance of 50% of the actual total grant at the completion of tne project, to the Minister's satisfaction.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$2,000	$6,220	$6,220

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government. It has no known termination date.

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MUNICIPAL INVENTORY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- A grant to assist in the compilation of a municipal inventory of historic site resources or geographic names inventory. A municipality or regional planning commission may inventory only those historic site resources that are located within its boundaries, under this policy.

ELIGIBILITY -- Grants may be applied for by:

a) a municipality located in Alberta, including a city, town, village, summer village, new town, county, municipal district, improvement district, a school district in a national park, special area,

b) a regional planning commission as established under the Planning Act of Alberta,

c) an Indian Band as defined in the Indian Act (Canada).

DESCRIPTION

a) To hire staff to inventory, document and evaluate the historic sites resources within a municipality's boundaries.

b) Upon the recommendation of the Historic Sites Service, to purchase essential photographic equipment to properly record historic sites.

c) To purchase film and pay for processing and duplication of photographs.

d) To cover other related costs such as travel, materials, and supplies, and the rental of office space and equipment.

FINANCING -- The grant is available in the amount of 50% of the project costs, exclusive of other provincial and federal contributions, to a maximum of $5,000. Grants are available on the basis of one grant per eligible agency per year under Schedule 6 of Alberta Regulation 65/83 and may not exceed $5,000 in any one fiscal year period.

Generally, the grant will be available as follows:

a) 50% of the estimated total grant at the outset of the project, and

b) the balance of 50% of the actual total grant at the completion of the project, to the Minister's satisfaction.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	included as part of the Provincial Inventory Assistance Program	included as part of the Provincial Inventory Assistance Program	included as part of the Provincial Inventory Assistance Program

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program that has recently been implemented by the Provincial Government. It has no known termination date.

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PROVINCIAL INVENTORY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- A grant to assist in the compilation of an inventory of historic site resources within a specified area in conjunction with the Provincial Inventory Program.

ELIGIBILITY -- Grants may be applied for by:

a) a municipality located in Alberta, including a city, town, village, summer village, new town, county, municipal district, improvement district, a school district in a national park, special area.

b) a regional planning commission as established under the Planning Act of Alberta,

c) any organization that is incorporated in Alberta under the Societies Act, Part 9 of the Companies Act or a special Act of the Legislature,

d) an Indian Band as defined in the Indian Act (Canada).

DESCRIPTION

a) To hire staff to inventory, document and evaluate the historic sites resources within a specific area.

b) Upon the recommendation of the Historic Site Service, to purchase essential photographic equipment to properly record historic sites.

c) To purchase film and pay for processing and duplication of photographs.

d) To cover other related costs such as travel, materials, and supplies, and the rental of office space and equipment.

FINANCING -- The grant is available in the amount of 50% of the project costs, exclusive of other provincial and federal contributions, to a maximum of $5,000. Grants are available on the basis of one grant per eligible agency per year under Schedule 6 of Alberta Regulation 65/83 and may not exceed $5,000 in any one fiscal year period.

Grants are available on a first-come, first-served basis to the limit of funds appropriated by the Legislature in any one fiscal year.

Generally, the grant will be available as follows:

a) 50% of the estimated total grant at the outset of the project, and

b) the balance of 50% of the actual total grant at the completion of the project, to the Minister's satisfaction.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$15,000	$15,000	$15,000

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program that has recently been implemented by the Provincial Government. It has no known termination date.

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MUSEUM ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To assist in defraying the administrative and operating costs of a public museum, art gallery, zoo, planetarium, conservatory, aquarium, historic house or heritage village in Alberta.

ELIGIBILITY -- Grants are available to:

a) a municipality which may include a city, town, village, summer village, new town, county, municipal district, special area, improvement district or a school district in a national park,

b) any organization that is incorporated in Alberta under the Societies Act, or Part 9 of the Companies Act or a special Act of the Legislature,

c) an Indian Band as defined in the Indian Act (Canada).

where the municipality or organization is operating a museum that:

a) is open to the public at least 200 hours each year,

b) owns more than 50% of the collections,

c) maintains an acceptable museum accession system,

d) has made provision for transfer of collections to another publicly owned museum in the event of dissolution.

DESCRIPTION -- The grant is to be used on day-to-day museum administrative and operating costs, i.e. purchase of artifacts, training seminars, wages, advertising, rent, office equipment, dues and fees, bank charges, utilities, building repair and maintenance, postage and stationery, materials necessary for cataloging, costs attached to the set-up and maintenance of displays, and supplies necessary for programming within the museum, etc.

FINANCING

a) Basic (Annual) Grant - All eligible museums will receive a basic grant of $200 plus one of the following supplementary grants.

b) Supplementary (Annual) Grant - Each museum will be considered for a grant under one of the following groups:

GROUP A - Museums which employ at least one suitably qualified full time curator, and are located in a city or town of 15,000 or more population, beyond a radius of 50 km from Edmonton and Calgary. Funds raised locally in the previous fiscal year are matched by the Provincial Government up to a maximum of $12,000.

GROUP B - Museums which employ at least one suitably qualified full time curator, and have recorded a fully authenticated attendance of over 50,000 in the previous fiscal year. Funds raised locally in the previous fiscal year are matched by the Provincial Government up to a maximum of $12,000.

GROUP C - Museums which are designated by the Minister as having special significance in the preservation of Alberta's heritage, and which employ at least one suitably qualified full time curator. Funds raised locally in the previous fiscal year are matched by the Provincial Government up to a maximum of $12,000.

GROUP D - Museums not qualifying under Group A, B, or C. Funds raised locally in the previous fiscal year are matched by the Provincial Government up to a maximum of $5,000.

DEADLINE -- Applications for grant under this program must be submitted to Alberta Culture on or before July 1st of the fiscal year prior to the one in which the grant is to be aid. (i.e. for a grant in the fiscal year 1984/85, an application must be submitted by July 1, 1983, based on operating figures for the fiscal year 1982/83).

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$417,010	$421,320	421,320

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government with no known termination date.

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MAJOR CULTURAL/RECREATIONAL FACILITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- The development of regional cultural and recreation facilities.

ELIGIBILITY -- This grant is available to all Alberta municipalities, and to some Societies and Volunteer Organizations upon endorsement by their municipality.

DESCRIPTION -- This program is to encourage and assist in the construction or improvement of cultural and recreation facilities throughout the Province. The projects under consideration must be included in the Recreation Master Plan for the region and must be accessible to the community at large at least 50% of the time.

FINANCING -- The Provincial Government has allocated $100 per capita to be spent over the ten years ending December 31, 1984. No more than 75% of this may be spent on Recreation but up to 100% may be spent on Cultural facilities. Debt retirement is limited to 50% of the allocation for the region.

The program allows for funding a maximum of 50% of the approved project cost. Restrictions for sources of matching funds are placed on Federal grants and grants from most other Provincial programs.

APPLICATIONS -- Forms and information are available through the contacts listed below. Applicants are advised to discuss their plans with the Municipal or Regional Recreation Director in their area. Applications will be accepted until December 31, 1984.*

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* Municipalities/Organizations making applications for this grant should also consider applying for the Agricultural Societies Capital Grant listed on page 2 of this booklet.

SENIOR CITIZENS FACILITY GRANT PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To aid in the development of Senior Citizens Centres and, in particular, in the improvement of cultural, recreation and social facilities.

ELIGIBILITY -- Available to incorporated non-profit Senior Citizen organizations.

OR

Incorporated non-profit organizations, acting on behalf of an unincorporated Senior Citizen group, that have as one of their objectives the provision of services to Senior Citizens.

For example:

- community service organizations,
- municipal authorities,
- recreation boards,
- auxiliary hospitals,
- nursing homes and lodges.

DESCRIPTION -- A capital cost program to:

i) Establish a Senior Citizens Centre

ii) Renovate or upgrade an existing centre

iii) Purchase equipment necessary within such a centre

FINANCING -- Based on approved project costs, up to $1,000. basic grant plus a maximum of $3,000. on a matching basis. Sources of matching funds may not be from other Federal or Provincial programs.

TIME FRAME -- The program is offered on a year to year basis operating from approximately April 15th until December 31st.

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LIBRARY GRANT

OBJECTIVES -- To provide Library Services to all regions of Alberta.

ELIGIBILITY -- The Minister may make the following Grants:

a) annual grants to public libraries

b) establishment grants payable

   i) when a regional library is organized, or

   ii) when a municipality, school division or school district enters into an agreement pursuant to section 30 of the Act;

c) special grants to persons or libraries

   i) to provide special library services, or

   ii) to meet special needs or emergencies, or

   iii) for such other projects that are, in the opinion of the Minister, important for the development of public library services in Alberta.

DESCRIPTION -- An application for an annual grant shall be submitted on or before the 31st day of August the year in which the grant is to be paid. It must be accompanied by an audited financial statement of the operation of the library during preceding fiscal year. In the case of a municipal or regional library, a copy of the budget for the year in which the grants to be paid must accompany the application. No community, municipal or regional library is eligible for a grant under these regulations unless it has complied with the library's regulation, filed as Alberta Regulation 117/71.

FINANCING

2 (1) The amount of an annual grant shall:

   a) to a municipal or regional library that has an appropriation of $1,134 or less, be $1,134;

      or $3 per capita, which ever is the greater if the local appropriation is at least $2 per capita

   b) to a community library that had an expenditure during the previous year of $756 or less,

      (i) be $756 or

      (ii) 1.5 times the expenditure up to a maximum of $3 per capita, which ever is the greater.

c) to a municipal library that has an appropriation of more than $1,134 be in the ratio of 3:2 if the local appropriation is at least $2 per capita.

d) to a community library that had an expenditure during the previous year of more than $756 be equal to 1.5 times the expenditure up to a maximum of $3 per capita.

e) to a regional library board be in the ratio of 2:1 where the local appropriation is at least $1 per capita; but shall not exceed $2.57 per capita.

f) to a municipality that:

i) is a party of an agreement respecting a regional library,.

(ii) does not have a municipal library board, and

(iii) has an appropriation of more than $1.28 per capita to the regional library, be in the ratio of 3:2; if the average additional local appropriation for such municipalities party to the same regional agreement is at least $2 per capita.

(1.01) The annual grant payable to a municipal library pursuant to subsection (1)(c) and (f) shall not be less than $3 per capita or more than $3.85 per capita.

(1.1) A grant received pursuant to subsection (1)(f) shall only be used for the purposes of the regional library.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), clauses (e) and (f), if in any year the appropriation of the public libraries of Edmonton or Calgary or any other municipal or regional library is reduced from that of the previous year, the amount of the annual grant shall be reduced proportionately.

(3) In addition to the grants under subsection (1), a grant may be paid annually to

a) a municipal or regional library to encourage the development and sharing of the resources of the library for the benefit of public libraries in Alberta as authorized by their respective boards,

b) a municipal or community library that receives financial assistance from an Improvement District or Special Area,

OR

c) any other library in Alberta for the development and sharing of the resources of that library for the benefit of public libraries in Alberta.

(3.1) A grant paid under subsection (3)(b) may be up to 1.5 times the financial assistance received from the Improvement District or Special Area in the previous year.

(3.2) Notwithstanding subsection (3.1) the total grants payable to municipal and community libraries in any Improvement District or Special Area shall not exceed $3.85 per capita based on the population of the Improvement District or Special Area.

(4) The amount of an establishment grant paid

a) when a regional library is organized, shall be $10.27 per capita, and

b) when a Municipality, School Division, Improvement District, Special Area or School District enters a regional library system by entering into an agreement pursuant to section 30 of the Act, shall be $10.27 per capita.

(5) The amount of a special grant made under these regulations shall be determined by the Minister.

3(1) An application for a grant under these regulations shall be made in such manner and form as the Minister prescribes.

(2) An application for an annual grant shall be submitted on or before August 31 of the year in which the grant may be paid and shall be accompanied:

a) in the case of a community library, by a financial statement of the operation of the library during the immediately preceding year, and

b) in the case of a municipal library or regional library, a copy of the budget for the year in which the grant is to be paid and an audited financial statement for the immediately preceding year.

4(1) Grants made under these regulations are made on the following conditions:

a) in the case of annual grants to municipal or regional libraries that the appropriation shall not be less than the amounts stipulated in section 2(1);

b) in the case of establishment grants, that the grant moneys are used for purposes necessary to the establishment or expansion of a regional library;

c) in the case of special grants, that the grant moneys are used only for those purposes for which the application for the grant was made or for such other purposes as are approved by the Minister.

(2) Where a grant is made under these regulations and the party receiving the grant does not comply with the conditions of the grant, a sum equal to the money used otherwise than in compliance with the conditions together with any remaining grant money shall be returned forthwith to the Provincial Treasurer.

(5) No library is eligible for a grant under these regulations unless it has complied with the Libraries Regulations, filed as Alberta Regulation 117/71.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET

1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
$7,757,000	$9,316,758	$9,810,108

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that was implemented in 1912. There is no known termination date.

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ALBERTA DISASTER
SERVICES

COST-SHARED EQUIPMENT PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To assist municipalities in improving their state of emergency preparedness by the procurement of special items of public safety equipment.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to all Alberta municipalities.

DESCRIPTION -- Any municipality may make a proposal to Alberta Disaster Services for cost-sharing in the purchase of equipment, providing the municipality meets the following requirements:

- it has passed a Disaster Services By-law,
- it has appointed a Disaster Services Committee,
- it has appointed a Director of Municipal Disaster Services,
- it agrees to follow an emergency preparedness program developed in collaboration with the Alberta Disaster Services Agency.

Public safety equipment that may be eligible includes any item of equipment that will improve the emergency response capability of the municipality and is not readily available locally from private, commercial or public resources. It does **NOT** include the following items:

- self-propelled equipment, such as fire pumpers or ambulances,
- equipment that can be considered a normal requirement of the municipality,
- any item for which financial assistance is available under another government program,
- equipment purchased prior to the introduction of this program.

FINANCING -- The program provides for cost-sharing of agreed proposals, on a dollar-for-dollar matching basis, with the Provincial portion not to exceed $2,500 on any one proposal.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$100,000	$100,000	$100,000

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that was implemented on April 1, 1979.

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DISASTER PREPAREDNESS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANT TO MUNICIPALITIES

OBJECTIVES -- To provide funds to assist in the operation of municipal disaster services agencies.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to all Alberta municipalities.

DESCRIPTION -- Any municipality may make application to Alberta Disaster Services for an accountable grant under this program, providing the municipality meets the following prerequisites:

- it has passed a Disaster Services By-law,
- it has appointed a Disaster Services Committee,
- it has appointed a Disaster Services Director,
- it has agreed, under the Accountable Grant Agreement, to follow a program developed jointed by the Municipality and Alberta Disaster Services.

Funds provided by this program may only be used by the municipality for the following specific purposes:

- disaster services administration,
- resource surveys,
- planning,
- training,
- emergency preparedness exercises,
- special civil emergency planning projects/programs that have been approved by the Alberta Disaster Services.

FINANCING -- The funds available for grants are allocated on the basis of population. The latest population figures submitted to Alberta Municipal Affairs are used in the calculation of the grants.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$265,500	$292,100	$302,100

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government, which, in its present format, was implemented on April 1, 1976. Applications for inclusion in this program must be submitted by January 31st of the grant year.

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DISASTER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVE -- To provide financial assistance for eligible loss and damage as the result of an extraordinary event which the victim could neither prevent nor readily and generally insure against.

ELIGIBILITY -- All municipalities, individuals, institutions and businesses in Alberta.

DESCRIPTION -- A program administered by Alberta Disaster Services which may provide financial assistance to applicants for eligible unanticipated expenditures due to an emergency and/or disastrous event. Assistance is not intended to provide full compensation for loss and damage, but an aid in recovery from the occurrence. Municipalities may have total eligible extraordinary costs of emergency operations and restoration of public property considered for reimbursement.

Before losses and damages or municipal expenditures are considered for assistance, they must be deemed extraordinary and normally reviewed by a Disaster Assistance Committee to ensure compliance with an established criteria and other guidelines.

Notwithstanding the established criteria and guidelines, if loss and damage is so devastating as to threaten the viability of a business, or the economic survival of an individual or his family, or in the opinion of the Minister, assistance would be in the public interest, the Minister may direct the payment of such disaster assistance that he deems necessary.

FINANCING -- This program is normally funded 100% by the Provincial Government, except when the financial expenditure for any single event reaches those proportions which may qualify for cost-sharing by the Federal Government.

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program that was implemented in 1973. Applications may be made at any time.

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ALBERTA
ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT

RAILWAY FACILITY RELOCATION POLICY

OBJECTIVES -- The Province recognizes the potential developmental benefits, to Alberta's smaller cities, of access to centrally located railway land no longer required for railway operating purposes. In keeping with this recognition, the Province wishes to assist these cities in carrying out railway facility relocation projects.

BACKGROUND -- In 1975, the Province of Alberta, jointly with the federal government, sponsored railway relocation studies undertaken by Alberta cities under the Canada Rail Relocation and Crossing Act. In October, 1977, the federal government withdrew from further funding of studies and announced it had cancelled any consideration of assisting actual rail relocation projects.

The Province's involvement in railway relocation studies was shortly thereafter expanded, including an ongoing commitment to assist the implementation of viable railway relocation projects.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA -- The Railway Facility Relocation Policy will apply to Alberta's smaller cities who are able to demonstrate that:

1. Substantial quantifiable benefits to the urban development objectives of the city can be achieved through release of land presently occupied by railway facilities, and

2. The potential value of lands released through railway facility relocation project will make a substantial contribution to the cost of the relocation project, and

3. Existing railway facilities create a significant barrier to the provision of efficient transportation services within the city, and

4. In the view of the affected railway, the relocation of facilities is feasible in light of system-wide operational requirements, and

5. Existing railway rights of way provisions through the city are maintained under the proposed railway facility relocation project.

The Railway Facility Relocation Policy is not designed to apply to the two largest cities of Alberta, who generally have the in-house planning and financing capability of dealing with such projects, nor to Alberta towns who would not normally be able to meet the eligibility criteria of this policy.

Notwithstanding the above, the Province may, upon specific project application, determine this policy, or portions thereof, to apply to a larger city or town if such a project meets the eligibility criteria and could not proceed without the Provincial involvement provided by this policy.

THE DELIVERY PROGRAM

Part I - Studies - The Province will contribute 50% of the cost to a city, of carrying out an approved railway facility relocation feasibility study. Involvement of the affected railway, the relevant and/or local planning authority must be solicited and obtained.

Part II - Negotiations - Where the railway relocation feasibility study determines the proposed project to be viable, meeting all eligibility criteria of this program, the Province will assist the city in negotiating the concurrence of the affected railway.

Part III - Relocation Projects - Where the joint province/city negotiations with the affected railway have resulted in a mutually acceptable plan for railway facility relocation and for the sharing of costs thereof, the Province will assist the city in financing the implementation of the project. The Provincial financial contribution will be 50% of the city's costs in implementing a railway facility relocation project. The 50% Provincial cost sharing, while considered level of city and Provincial commitment to a project, may vary from project to project on the basis of the specific needs of a city and the estimated timing of returns from sales of lands released by a relocation project.

Subject to the preparation of adequate roadway and public transportation plans, and the preparation and guarantee of a suitable land-use plan for lands released by the project, the Province will jointly with the city, take an investment position in the project. The eligible urban municipality shall establish a mechanism to implement the project and to dispose, by sale or lease, of released lands.

First right of refusal on the purchase or lease of such lands shall be offered to the city and the Province, but in all cases, sales or leases shall be at the then prevailing market rates.

Revenues from the sale or lease of lands released by a railway facility relocation project will, after meeting the administrative costs of such transactions, be distributed between the city and the Province in the same ratio as each contributed to the cost of the project.

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ALBERTA
EDUCATION

EXPLANATION OF SCHOOL GRANTS

Numerous school grants that apply to all "school areas" are available from Alberta Education. These "school areas" include school districts, school divisions, counties, or a city or town having merged administration under the Municipal and School Administration Act. These grants are made possible through regulations under the School Act and the Department of Education Act.

There are, however, NO Alberta Education grants for which municipalities can directly make application. The only Alberta Education grants available must be applied for by the Board responsible for school administration.

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ALBERTA
ENVIRONMENT

BITING FLY CONTROL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To assist municipal governments in the initiating and/or improving Biting Fly Control Programs.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to all municipal districts, who as a collective group, feel that their municipality has a serious biting fly infestation.

DESCRIPTION -- To be eligible for such grants, municipalities must submit an application for assistance to the Department of the Environment prior to the commencement of their control programs, outlining proposed cost and methods of control These proposals must be acceptable to the Department. Should conditions warrant that a control program receive any additional funds, such funds may be granted pending approval by the Minister of the Environment. Approved control programs will be subject to inspection. An annual report, including complete financial records, must be submitted by each municipality to the Department at the end of the control program in order to receive financial assistance. A licensed applicator must supervise each statement program.

FINANCING -- Approved mosquito abatement programs will be funded in the following manner.

a) Municipalities whose population is less than 10,000 will be limited to $3 per capita for eligible expenses.

b) Municipalities whose population is greater than 10,000 and less than 100,000 will be limited to $2 per capita for eligible expenses.

c) Municipalities whose population is greater than 100,000 will be limited to $1 per capita for eligible expenses.

Expenses which are considered eligible include:

a) 60% of all operating and equipment costs.

b) 40% of the chemical purchase costs.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$520,000	$578,000	$585,000

TIME FRAME -- This program was implemented in 1974 and is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government. There is no known termination date.

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR WATER MANAGEMENT

OBJECTIVES -- To provide assistance to local authorities for the enhancement and regional development of the province's water resources and to provide corrective measures where water, in its natural state, creates conditions adverse to the public interest.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to all Alberta municipalities.

DESCRIPTION -- The project must be initiated by a local authority, and a need for such a project must be established. The project must be in the public interest and provide benefits to the general public or protect public investment. Detailed project planning and consideration of all aspects of water resource and environmental management must precede implementation. The local authority initiating the project must accept the responsibility for land acquisition, and operating and maintenance costs.

Agreements are entered into between the Minister of Environment (under the Water Resources Act) and the local authorities. The project must fit within the budgetary priority for water management established by the Government.

FINANCING -- Payment is usually 75% - 25% basis (Government funding up to 75%), however this may vary depending on the type of project and the amount of public benefit derived. The local authority receives payment upon submission of an itemized account of expenditures, which can be substantiated by documents at the local authority's office.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET

1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
$6,000,000	$6,780,000	$6,780,000

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that was implemented in October 1972.

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OIL RECYCLING GRANT PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To stop the unnecessary dumping of waste lubrication oil, and encourage its re-refining.

ELIGIBILITY -- All municipalities in Alberta are eligible.

DESCRIPTION -- In the interests of conserving petroleum resources and reducing environmental damage from the improper disposal of lubricating oils, this grant will enable Alberta municipalities to install underground tanks to store oil collected for recycling.

FINANCING -- This program is funded 100% by the Provincial Government. It includes the capital acquisition costs necessary for the purchase and installation of oil storage tanks.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET -- Funds are set aside each fiscal year for this and other recyclying programs. There is not a budgeted amount for this program, only a ceiling on the total expenditure.

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program that was implemented in 1976. Applications can be made at any time during the year.

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RECLAMATION PROGRAM FOR DERELICT LAND

OBJECTIVES -- To reclaim land that has been left idle since disturbance with the objective of making it as productive as it was prior to disturbance.

ELIGIBILITY -- The land in question must be owned by a public body or must be purchased by a public body.

DESCRIPTION -- Abandoned sites considered to be eligible include:

1. Coal mines or quarries.
2. Gravel pits.
3. Garbage dumps and sewage lagoons.
4. Refinery sites or other mineral processing plants.
5. Industrial sites.
6. Irrigation canals or man-made water reservoirs.
7. Roadways, airports, railroads.

It should be clear, of course, that the intent of the reclamation fund is to improve sites that were disturbed prior to legislation and the rise of public concern over environmental problems. Recently abandoned sites will be carefully reviewed by Department staff prior to acceptance as reclamation projects.

NOTE: All the above mentioned eligible sites must be municipally owned land.

Some commonly submitted proposals which are NOT included in the program are:

1. Natural or water filled low lying areas.
2. Agricultural operations.
3. Forestry operations.
4. Removal of car body stockpiles.
5. Picking up of scattered debris.
6. Erosion control resulting from agricultural and forestry operations, and municipal or provincial projects including road building and bridge construction.

FINANCING -- Reclamation Branch of Alberta Environment assumes all responsibilities for engineering, supervision, planning, hiring and paying contractors to complete reclamation projects.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$3,650,000	$5,000,000	$5,000,000

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has approval till 1985/86. Applications by municipalities can be made at any time during the year.

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ALBERTA WASTE MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To promote environmentally sound waste management throughout the province.

ELIGIBILITY -- Available to all rural and urban municipalities who form a regional authority consisting of two or more urban municipalities plus one or more rural municipalities.

DESCRIPTION -- The Province will provide land and capital funding for regional sanitary landfill sites or other facilities for waste management.

FINANCING -- The Province will pay 100% of the fair market value for land and lease this land to the municipality for use as a sanitary landfill. Also, the Province will pay up to 100% of the initial capital costs of the systems. Annual operating costs are the responsibility of the regional authority.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET

1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
$2,700,000	$2,950,000	$2,950,000

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that was implemented in December 1975.

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ALBERTA
HOUSING

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL HOUSING INCENTIVE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To help municipalities finance the costs of growth and to promote the construction of medium density housing and economic land development.

ELIGIBILITY -- To all Alberta municipalities whose housing units that year exceed a pre-determined base rate.

DESCRIPTION -- The Alberta Municipal Housing Incentive Program is designed to assist municipalities finance the costs of growth, by providing grants from $500 to $2000 for each eligible new housing unit. The incentive will encourage the future development of affordable medium density housing, as well as more economic land use.

Grants to municipalities are based on the rate of new housing production in relation to production in previous years and the number of eligible units built. Housing production levels are measured against the base level, which is the average number of new dwellings started in a municipality over the preceding three years.

TYPES OF UNITS ELIGIBLE -- New self-contained housing units only are eligible, e.g. single family dwellings, apartments, row housing, duplexes, condominiums, mobile home sites and parks, senior citizen apartments and the addition of new rental suites to existing residential dwellings, etc. Grants are only awarded for units that meet the qualifying criteria.

QUALIFYING CRITERIA -- Eligible units must:

a) be self-contained,

b) be constructed for permanent occupancy,

c) meet the Alberta Building Code and Local Building Bylaws,

d) meet the following minimum net density* requirements.

i) For Calgary & Edmonton
10 units per net acre or 24.7 units per net hectare. Maximum lot size: 4400 sq. ft. or 408.7 sq. metres.

ii) For Other Municipalities
8 units per net acre or 19.8 units per net hectare. Maximum lot size: 5500 sq. ft. or 510.9 sq. metres.

* Net density calculations are based on net area. The net area is a parcel of contiguous land under common ownership, including associated grounds or a residential building, or buildings, provided for the private use of the occupants.

Density calculation differs between condominium and rental freehold. With condominium and rental, open spaces and rights-of-way are considered to be part of the net area. When roads are dedicated to the municipality, only then can rights-of-way be deducted. In the case of freehold, open spaces and rights-of-way are not considered to be part of the net area.

To be eligible, Mobile Home Parks must meet all qualifying criteria. Applications may be made when the sites are fully services and ready for units to be moved on.

FINANCING -- Grants will be awarded to the municipality in accordance with the above criteria and within the following production levels.

a) $500 per eligible unit for production in excess of 0 and up to and including 50% of the base level. (Effective January 1, 1981).

b) $1000 per eligible unit for production in excess of 50% and up to and including 75% of the base level.

c) $1500 per eligible unit for production over 75% and up to and including 100% of the base level.

d) $2000 per eligible unit for production exceeding 100% of the base level.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1983/83
	$10,000,000

TIME FRAME -- This program was implemented on January 1, 1980 and has no known termination date.

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ALBERTA
HOUSING
CORPORATION

COMMUNITY HOUSING PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To provide adequate rental housing for low and moderate income families unable to secure affordable conventional accommodation.

ELIGIBILITY -- The sponsor of a Community Housing Project is normally the local municipality. The need for community housing in smaller municipalities is determined by the feasibility study undertaken by the Corporation.

DESCRIPTION -- Management and tenant selection are delegated to a local Housing Authority whose members are recommended by the local council and the Province and appointed by Provincial Ministerial Order. Priority of allocation of units to tenants depends on need as determined by income, assets, housing condition and length of time on the waiting list. The municipality applies directly to the Alberta Housing Corporation. The Alberta Housing Corporation reviews and researches submissions, and the Alberta Housing Corporation Board approves within the framework of the annual budget.

FINANCING -- The Alberta Housing Corporation is the major financial contributor to the Community Housing program supplying 100 percent of upfront capital costs for projects, through funds provided by the Alberta Investment Division of the Alberta Heritage Savings and Trust Fund. Any operating deficits are shared 50-40-10 percent (including amortization costs) by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, Alberta Housing Corporation, and the Municipality respectively, in accordance with Section 44 of the National Housing Act.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET

1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
$74,000,000	$82,000,000	$39,000,000

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

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THE ALBERTA INDUSTRIAL LAND PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES

1. To help municipalities provide an adequate supply of land for industrial purposes, at reasonable costs.

2. To assist regional communities in attracting suitable industries.

3. To encourage attractive regional and industrial sites and facilities.

ELIGIBILITY -- Alberta municipalities demonstrating a need and demand for industrial land.

DESCRIPTION -- This program is designed in two stages: Land Banking and Land Development. It is intended to provide assistance to communities wishing to develop land or hold land for future industrial development. It complements the government's position that the decentralization of industry is essential to achieving a balanced economic growth within the Province.

Initial application for participation in the program may be made to either Alberta Housing Corporation or the Department of Tourism and Small Business. A project requires approval of the Interdepartmental Land Committee, made up of representatives from various government departments, before it can be implemented as either an Alberta Housing Corporation Land Banking or Land Development program.

FINANCING -- Alberta Housing Corporation finances 100% of the capital costs through funds provided by the Alberta Investment Division of the Alberta Heritage Savings and Trust Fund.

1. Land Banking: Alberta Housing Corporation secures and holds titles to suitable lands, in accordance with the following guidelines:

    a) An agreement is made between the Corporation and the municipality whereby Alberta Housing Corporation will hold title to the land for the municipality.

    b) At any time during the term of the agreement, the municipality may request and obtain from Alberta Housing Corporation whatever portion of the bank may be necessary for development.

    c) Holding costs (i.e. survey, legal, interest, etc.) are added to the original land costs to determine the price to the municipality.

    d) Holding costs are prorated over the whole project. When any portion of the project is purchased, only the holding costs relating to that portion are paid at that time.

e) Buy-back periods in land banks vary from one to fifteen years.

f) Upon expiry of the agreement, all land remaining in the bank must be purchased by the municipality. Ideally, if future needs have been forecast accurately, there will be no land remaining in the bank.

2. Land Development: Alberta Housing Corporation purchases and develops land under a development agreement with the municipality, in accordance with the following guidelines:

a) Developed lots are sold to the municipality on a fully prepaid basis (i.e. all development costs are allocated in the purchase price of each lot).

b) Prices of the lots also reflect a prorated portion of the holding costs.

c) As a rule, the Corporation will develop only to the prevailing servicing standard of the municipality, with certain minimum standards to be observed in any case.

d) In all cases, the municipality will be responsible for sales transactions.

e) Upon expiry of the Development agreement, all unsold lots must be purchased by the municipality.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$15,200,000	$14,000,000	$4,700,000

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government since 1977.

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RESIDENTIAL LAND BANKING AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To assist municipalities in creating land banks for future residential development, and to assist municipalities in the provision of services residential lots.

ELIGIBILITY -- Alberta municipalities demonstrating a need and demand for residential land.

DESCRIPTION -- This program is designed in two stages: Land Banking and Land Development. It is intended to provide assistance to communities wishing to develop land for needed purposes or to hold land for future residential development.

FINANCING -- Alberta Housing Corporation finances 100% of capital costs through funds provided by the Alberta Investment Division of the Alberta Heritage Savings and Trust Fund.

1. Land Banking: Alberta Housing Corporation secures and holds titles to suitable lands, in accordance with the following guidelines:

    a) An agreement is made between the Corporation and the municipality whereby Alberta Housing Corporation will hold title to the land for the municipality.

    b) At any time during the term of the agreement, the municipality may request and obtain from Alberta Housing Corporation whatever portion of the bank may be necessary for development.

    c) Holding costs (i.e. survey, legal, interest, etc.) are added to the original land costs to determine the price to the municipality.

    d) Holding costs are prorated over the whole project. When any portion of the project is purchased, only the holding costs relating to that portion are paid at that time.

    e) Buy-back periods may range up to fifteen years.

    f) Upon expiry of the agreement, all land remaining in the bank must be purchased by the municipality. Ideally, if future needs have been forecast accurately, there will be no land remaining in the bank.

2. Land Development: Alberta Housing Corporation purchases and develops land under a development agreement with the municipality, in accordance with the following guidelines:

    a) Developed lots are sold to the public or to contractors on a fully prepaid basis (i.e. all development costs are allocated in the purchase price of each lot).

b) Prices of the lots also reflect a prorated portion of the holding costs.

c) As a rule, the Corporation will develop only to the prevailing servicing standards of the municipality, with certain minimum standards to be observed in any case.

d) In all cases, the Alberta Housing Corporation will be responsible for sales transactions. The municipality may be empowered to handle the initial stage of lot sales.

e) Upon expiry of the agreement, all unsold lots must be purchased by the municipality.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$52,500,000	$60,000,000	$27,500,000

TIME FRAME -- This program has been an ongoing program of the Provincial Government since 1968.

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SENIOR CITIZEN LODGE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- This program provides housing for senior citizens of Alberta who no longer wish to maintain an independent lifestyle. Lodges are located not only in central cities, but also in rural areas so that senior citizens may remain in or near the community in which they have lived.

ELIGIBILITY -- The sponsor for a lodge is the Municipal Foundation in the area.

DESCRIPTION --This program is intended for senior citizens who are in good health and able to care for themselves without daily medical attention. For this reason medical facilities are not provided in the building. However, the location of lodges is always planned for the best possible access to medical, transportation, shopping and recreational services. Rent, which is fixes at an affordable rate by the Provincial Government, covers meals and housekeeping services.

After construction, the administrative and financial responsibility of each lodge is vested in the local Foundation. The management group selected by the Foundation hires the staff for the lodge, handles applications, selects tenants and manages daily operations. Sponsoring groups must submit application forms to Alberta Housing Corporation. Alberta Housing Corporation reviews and researches the submission and the Alberta Housing Corporation Board approves within the framework of the annual budget.

FINANCING -- Alberta Housing Corporation finances 100% of the capital costs including all furnishings and equipment through funds provided by the Alberta Investment Division of the Alberta Heritage Savings and Trust Fund. Once constructed, the Foundation becomes responsible for all operating costs.

Foundations may receive grants to help offset operating deficits through the Lodge Assistance Program.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$15,300,000	$26,500,000	$10,200,000

TIME FRAME -- This has been an ongoing program of the Provincial Government since 1958.

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SENIOR CITIZEN SELF-CONTAINED PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To provide senior citizens with affordable apartment-like accommodation in or near the communities in which they live.

ELIGIBILITY -- The sponsor of a self-contained project may be a non-profit organization which includes a municipality, a foundation or an organization constituted exclusively for charitable or benevolent purposes.

DESCRIPTION -- A non-profit society must be registered under The Societies Act of Alberta, and can include church groups, service clubs and other organizations. The sponsor is responsible for collecting information on the need for self-contained units in their area and contacting the Alberta Housing Corporation. It is also responsible for the management and maintenance once the project is constructed. Individuals apply directly to the facility for admittance.

Tenants must meet minimum requirements for acceptance. One year residency in Alberta immediately prior to application or ten years previous residency in Alberta is required. Priority of allocation of units to tenants depends on need as determined by income, assets, housing condition and length of time on waiting list. Rent is based on 25% of a tenants income.

FINANCING -- Alberta Housing Corporation finances 100% of capital costs through funds provided by the Alberta Investment Division of the Alberta Heritage Savings and Trust Fund. Operating deficits may be share 50/50 by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation and Alberta Housing Corporation in accordance with Section 44 of National Housing Act or paid 100% by the Alberta Housing Corporation.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$101,100,000	$134,600,000	$116,200,000

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

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LODGE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- The Lodge Assistance Program provides financial assistance to lodge foundations to reduce their operating deficits thereby reducing the contributions required by municipalities.

ELIGIBILITY -- Any foundations or municipalities who operate senior citizens lodges pursuant to Section 9 of the Senior Citizens Housing Act are eligible for assistance if an operating deficit occurs.

DESCRIPTION -- Any foundation or municipality applying for the Lodge Assistance Grant is required to submit an audited financial statement of the lodges operating costs to Alberta Housing Corporation. In addition, the foundation/municipality must complete an application showing the latest equalized assessments of all the contributing municipalities.

FINANCING -- Assistance is provided in the form of a grant from Alberta Housing Corporation. The amount of assistance is determined on the basis of the documented financial situation and the latest equalized assessment of the foundation as follows:

a) For those foundations or municipalities who have a large tax base and whose deficits are under one mill equalized assessment, the Corporation will finance 25% of the deficits, but the Corporation will not cost share the portion of deficits that is over 30% of total expenditures.

b) For those foundations or municipalities whose actual deficits are equal to or greater than one mill equalized assessment, the Corporation will finance 50% of the deficits, but the Corporation will not cost share the portions of the deficit that is above 30% of total expenditures.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$2,150,000	$2,500,000	$3,140,000

TIME FRAME -- This program was transferred from Housing and Public Works on April 1, 1981 and is now an ongoing program of Alberta Housing Corporation.

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ALBERTA HOME MORTGAGE
CORPORATION

REVOLVING TRUNK SERVICING PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To increase the supply and help stabilize the price of services lots and to reduce the financial burden of growth on municipalities by providing funds to finance major underground water and sewer services in Alberta.

ELIGIBILITY -- All Alberta municipalities or all Alberta municipalities jointly with qualifying private corporations.

DESCRIPTION -- Priority will be given to those municipalities experiencing rapid growth. Eligible items for projects are offsite or oversized water and sewer facilities in the following categories:

a) water trunks, pumping stations and distribution system reservoirs,

b) storm sewer trunks and major storm water management facilities,

c) sanitary sewer trunks and lift stations.

FINANCING -- Subject to the execution of a Master Agreement between Alberta Home Mortgage Corporation and the municipality and, if applicable, the developer, Alberta Home Mortgage Corporation will construct and initially own the facilities. The Master Agreement establishes, among other things:

- The maximum capital cost to be funded by Alberta Home Mortgage Corporation.
- The developable hectares within the benefiting area.
- The term for repayment of the capital cost and the financing charges.
- The municipality's obligation to purchase a minimum 50% interest in the facility within a 10 year period. This obligation is offset by guarantees of the major land owners within the benefiting area.
- The applicant's (municipality or developer) responsibility to negotiate rights-of-way for constructing the approved facilities on behalf of Alberta Home Mortgage Corporation.
- The municipality's responsibility to purchase a proportional undivided interest in the facility prior to issuing a Development and Servicing Agreement for land within the benefiting area.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$50,000,000	$55,000,000	$20,000,000

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

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ALBERTA
MANPOWER

SUMMER TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (S.T.E.P.)

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT ELEMENT

OBJECTIVES -- To provide employment opportunities for Alberta youth on project activities of designated community authorities during the summer months.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program element is available to the municipal governments of cities, towns, villages, summer villages, municipal districts, counties school districts, school boards, agricultural societies, and Travel Industry Association of Alberta (TIAALTA) Zone offices.

DESCRIPTION -- This program operates on year-by-year basis and may or may not operate each summer. As the program element is implemented the municipal authorities are invited to submit proposals to Alberta Manpower. Upon approval of the project the municipality hires the youth required to carry out the project activities and pays them directly. The municipal authority subsequently submits a reimbursement claim to recover wages paid, within the limits of the program.

FINANCING -- Funding is usually provided through a special warrant process. The funding provided is allocated on an equitable basis to all 15 census divisions within Alberta.

PROVINCIAL FUNDING ALLOCATION	1983/84
COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT ELEMENT	$4,150,000

TIME FRAME -- This program cannot be considered to be an ongoing program. For this reason deadlines dates for applications are provided in the letter inviting municipal government participation.

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PRIORITY EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (P.E.P.)

MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT/SPECIAL COMMUNITIES ELEMENT

OBJECTIVES -- To provide employment opportunities for unemployed Albertans on project activities of Municipal Governments and other designated Special Communities during the winter months.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to the municipal governments of cities, towns, villages, municipal districts, counties remote communities, Band Councils, and Metis Settlements.

DESCRIPTION -- This is a new program element. As the program element is implemented the municipal authorities are invited to submit proposals to Alberta Manpower. Upon approval of the project the municipality hires the individuals required to carry out the project activities and pays them directly. The municipal authority subsequently submits a reimbursement claim to recover wages paid, within the limits of the program.

FINANCING -- Funding is provided through a special warrant process. The funding provided is allocated on an equitable basis to all 15 census divisions within Alberta.

PROVINCIAL FUNDING ALLOCATION	1982/83	1983/84
MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ELEMENT	$5,000,000	Under Review

TIME FRAME -- This program cannot be considered to be an ongoing program. For this reason deadlines dates for applications are provided in the letter inviting municipal government participation.

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CANADA-ALBERTA NEW EMPLOYMENT EXPANSION AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (N.E.E.D.)

OBJECTIVES -- To create new, productive employment for Canadians experiencing significant hardship by contributing to projects which support regional economic growth and development in Alberta.

ELIGIBILITY -- Established community organizations, municipalities, registered businesses, partnerships, corporations, and in some instances individuals are invited to submit proposals.

DESCRIPTION -- This program is jointly funded by the provincial and federal government. Approved projects operate for a minimum of 12 weeks to a maximum duration of 12 months and ordinarily create a minimum of three or more full-time jobs. Upon approval of a project, the municipality must utilize the services of a Canada Employment Centre or the Alberta Employment Opportunities Program to hire employees. Priority in referrals is given first to those who have exhausted their unemployment insurance benefits and then to those who are in receipt of public assistance.

FINANCING -- The N.E.E.D. wage contribution is based on an average of $200 per week per employee. Municipal governments are also eligible for a program contribution towards costs other than wages up to a maximum of $125 per week per employee.

PROVINCIAL FUNDING ALLOCATION	1983/84
	$11,250,000

TIME FRAME -- This program was implemented February 1, 1983 and will run until June 31, 1984. Applications may be made at any time up to March 31, 1984.

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ALBERTA
MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

MUNICIPAL ANNIVERSARY RECOGNITION PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To provide $1,000 or 10¢ per capita, whichever is greatest, to assist each municipality in recognizing the 50th anniversary of its incorporation and at 25 year intervals thereafter.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program applies to all municipalities and each will receive the special assistance automatically in the relevant years. No application will be required.

DESCRIPTION -- To provide $1,000 or 10¢ per capita, whichever is greatest, to assist each municipality in recognizing the 50th anniversary of its incorporation and at 25 year intervals thereafter.

The assistance will be unconditional and so may be used to sponsor activities or for any other project the council believes appropriate. In case where a municipality has more than one date which might be celebrated, for example, original incorporation as a village then later as a town, the council may select which date is to be celebrated for the municipality. Incorporation dates are available from, and notice of which date selected should be provided to the Department of Municipal Affairs.

FINANCING -- The Provincial Government will provide the $1,000 or 10¢ per capita, whichever is greatest, automatically, no application is required.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET -- As required.

TIME FRAME -- This program was implemented May 17, 1982 and is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government. It has no known termination date.

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INTEREST STABILIZATION GRANT

OBJECTIVES -- To stabilize interest charges on capital debentures issued by the Alberta Municipal Finance Corporation and Alberta Treasury.

ELIGIBILITY --

1. Debentures issued under authority of by-laws for which the local Authorities Board Certificate of Approval is dated March 28, 1983 or later will not be eligible for subsidy.

2. Debentures issued after March 31, 1982 will be subsidized for the first five years from date of debenture issue with the regular Alberta Municipal Finance Corporation rate being paid after five years.

3. All debentures must be issued prior to March 31, 1985 to receive subsidy.

DESCRIPTION -- Alberta municipalities need not apply for this grant. This program is administered directly by the Department of Municipal Affairs.

FINANCING -- The grant is paid each year in the month that the payment on the debenture becomes due. Payment is made in a calendar year not the government fiscal year.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$43,000,000	$86,400,000	$118,000,000

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MUNICIPAL ASSISTANCE GRANT

OBJECTIVES -- Assisting Local Municipal Governments to continue to provide services to their citizens without undue increases in the local mill rate.

ELIGIBILITY -- This is an unconditional grant available to all municipal government units in the Province.

DESCRIPTION -- No application is necessary for this grant. Each year, the Province sets aside a sum of money to be known as the Municipal Assistance Grant to be distributed to Alberta municipalities on a relative needs basis.

FINANCING -- The grant is paid in one lump sum during the month of June of each year.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$78,914,447	$87,595,036	$91,974,788

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

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PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION BENEFITS

OBJECTIVES -- To reduce the burden of property taxes on residential properties and farmland.

ELIGIBILITY --Certain properties including single and multi-family residences, mobile homes and most farmland properties are eligible when determined to be the owners principal residence.

DESCRIPTION -- A combined benefit exists whereby homeowners, without applying, have their entire Provincial Education Tax paid by the Provincial Government and dependent on qualifications may be eligible for an additional reduction to be applied against their municipal taxes. This additional reduction is known as the Homeowner Refund and is calculated as the difference between $200 or municipal taxes whichever is less and the Provincial Education Tax. The benefit for homeowners over 65 years, widow/widowers' (60-64 years) whose deceased spouse was at least 65 and widow/widowers receiving a widows pension under the Widows Pension Act is calculated as the difference between $1,000 or municipal taxes whichever is less and the Provincial Education Tax.

FINANCING -- The Provincial Government appropriates into the school foundation fund 100% of the total allowable school tax credits for that year.

The Provincial Government advances 80% of expected property tax reduction benefits (homeowners refunds) prior to program commencement and continually reimburses all homeowner refunds in excess of this prepaid amount. An administration fee per application, is paid to the municipality ongoing, as benefits are reimbursed.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$32,112,000	$34,899,300	$67,099,730

TIME FRAME -- These programs were implemented January 1, 1973 and have no known termination date. Application may be made between May 1st of the current year and March 31st of the following year.

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SENIOR CITIZEN RENTER ASSISTANCE GRANT

OBJECTIVES -- Providing financial assistance to citizens 65 years of age and over who occupy rented living accommodation or who own and occupy a mobile home situated on rented land.

ELIGIBILITY -- Available to senior citizens 65 years of age and older or widow/widower's (60-64 years) whose deceased spouse was 65 years of age or older and eligible for a benefit or widow/widowers' (55-64 years) who are receiving a widows pension under the Widows Pension Act. Accommodation must have been rented in the Province for at least 120 days during the calendar year and applicants must not have received property tax benefits for that same year. Married couples may make only one application unless legally separated. Senior Citizens living in nursing homes, auxiliary hospitals or active treatment hospitals do not qualify for this grant.

DESCRIPTION -- Application forms for senior citizens renter assistance may be obtained at municipal offices, Alberta Treasury Branches, Senior Citizens Drop In Centres and Alberta Municipal Affairs offices.

FINANCING -- Assistance is in the form of a yearly grant. Levels of assistance currently provided are:

1. $1,200 to eligible seniors renting non-subsidized housing.

2. $600 to seniors renting subsidized accommodation.

3. $1,000 to mobile homeowners renting the land or space for their home.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$31,112,000	$34,899,300	$42,614,400

TIME FRAME -- These programs were implemented January 1, 1973 and is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government. Applications may be made any time between May 1st of the current year and March 31st of the following year.

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ALBERTA PUBLIC WORKS,
SUPPLY and SERVICES

GRANTS-IN-LIEU OF TAXES

OBJECTIVES -- To assist municipalities in meeting their financial commitments.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to all cities, towns, villages, counties, municipal districts, improvement districts and special areas.

DESCRIPTION -- Any municipality within which Crown property is situated may apply each year to Alberta Public Works, Supply and Services for a grant-in-lieu of taxes in respect of that property. The assessor shall prepare a valuation of all affected lands and improvements within the municipality subject to the guidelines of the Municipal and Provincial Properties Valuation Act. The amount of the grant will not exceed the amount that would be recoverable by the municipality if the Crown property within the municipality was subject to the municipal tax for that year. A municipality is not automatically entitled by right to this grant.

FINANCING -- The taxes that would have been payable are to be based on the assessed nature of the property times the mill rate levied for the tax year. Applications, from taxing authorities, for grants-in-lieu of taxes will be considered and payments made subject to the provisions of the Crown Property Municipal Grants Act.

TIME FRAME -- This is a continuing program subject to the Crown Property Municipal Grants Act that application be submitted each year.

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ALBERTA RECREATION
and PARKS

municipal

MAJOR CULTURAL/RECREATIONAL FACILITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- This program is designed to encourage and support shared cost contribution for the development of major public recreation/cultural facilities.

ELIGIBILITY -- This grant is available to all Alberta municipalities, and to some Societies and Volunteer Organizations upon endorsement by their municipality.

DESCRIPTION -- This is a program designed to construct or improve existing cultural/recreational facilities. A maximum of 75% of eligible funding can be used for development of recreation facilities. As well, up to 50% may be used for debt retirement against existing cultural/recreational facilities. A five-year Recreational Services Master Plan must be developed incorporating a five-year operating budget, capital budget, a source of matching funds, project drawings, site plan, why the project is needed, and any agreements and by-laws.

FINANCING -- The maximum funding limit is $100 per capita. The $100 per capita assistance will be based on the maximum (annual) population of a municipality during the ten-year period (1975-84), as released by the Department of Municipal Affairs. The Province will provide up to 50% of approved project costs within the funding limit.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1982/83	1983/84
	$20,000,000	$20,000,000

TIME FRAME -- This program was implemented on April 1, 1975 and will terminate on December 31, 1984. Applications will be accepted until this date.

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OPERATIONAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To assist Alberta municipalities with current expenditures in the operation of a variety of community recreation programs and services.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to all Alberta municipalities that have a duly established Recreation Board.

DESCRIPTION -- This program was designed to aid in the operation of existing recreation services. Applicants must provide an outline containing a copy of the current recreation bylaws, a copy of the current approved program, an assessment of last year's program and a financial statement outlining the previous year's expenditures for recreation.

FINANCING -- Payments are based on $3 per capita.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1982/83	1983/84
	$6,600,000	$7,140,000

TIME FRAME -- This program was implemented in 1973 and has no known termination date. This is an annual grant and applications should be made by June 15th, of each year.

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PROJECT CO-OPERATION

OBJECTIVES -- To support and encourage co-operative efforts between municipalities and community organizations in the planning and development of Recreation programs, facilities and services.

ELIGIBILITY -- Available to all incorporated municipalities.

DESCRIPTION -- The following categories and examples are indicative of the projects that may be planned:

1. Professional plans and specifications of cultural/recreational facilities such as an art gallery or children's playground.

2. Development of a cultural/recreational facility or renovations to existing facilities such as swimming pool enclosure or a craft workshop.

3. The purchase of land for a cultural/recreational facility such as a fitness trail or auditorium.

4. The clearing or preparation of land for the development of a cultural/recreational facility such as an amphitheatre or lawn-bowling green.

5. Retirement of capital debt.

6. Purchase of long-term equipment such as ski-tow bar.

FINANCING -- Each incorporated municipality is eligible to receive a basic grant of five hundred dollars ($500). In the case of an Improvement District or Special Area the basic assistance will be $500 per Recreation Board (as recognized by the Improvement District or Special Area) and will be paid directly to the Recreation Board. An additional $1.65 per capita is available, comprised of the following components:

a) Municipal Assistance - $0.50 per capita for each municipality.

b) Community Service Organization - $0.50 per capita to any incorporated community organization, service club, group or agency provided they contribute not less than the amount of the grant.

c) Regional Recreational Incentive - $0.65 per capita is available to municipalities with a population under 15,000 where two or more municipalities agree to pool resources to provide a service or facility, or

Community School Incentive - $0.65 per capita to municipalities with a population over 15,000 to encourage the use of school facilities by the community. Where a school board and a municipality agree to provide the services to be used by the school and the community, the grant may be obtained to defray expenses such as janitorial, supervisory and program costs or to increase the utility of school facilities for community programs.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1982/83	1983/84
	$3,300,000	$3,787,000

TIME FRAME -- This program was implemented in 1973 and has no known termination date. Applications must be made by December 31st.

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MUNICIPAL PARKS OPERATING PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To provide maintenance-operating assistance to municipalities where non-local use results in substantial increases in cost of municipal parks.

ELIGIBILITY -- Available to all Alberta municipalities, with priority given to towns, villages and hamlets of less than 2,500 population.

DESCRIPTION -- A municipality may apply to the Minister of Recreation and Parks for a grant to help defray the cost incurred by the municipality in the operation of any campground, picnic ground, beach area or park facility used by persons in addition to the residents of the municipality.

No grant shall be paid unless the Minister is satisfied that the use of the facility by persons not resident in the municipality causes unreasonable operating expenses to that municipality.

Grants in this assistance program are intended to defray operating costs and are not meant for capital development.

FINANCING -- The program provides for assistance up to the amount of $2,000 per annum.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1982/83	1983/84
	$50,000	$50,000

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Department of Recreation and Parks that was implemented in 1966.

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RECREATION AREAS PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES To aid in the capital upgrading and operation of day-use and camping recreation facilities within the province.

ELIGIBILITY -- This capital and operating program is available to Alberta municipalities.

DESCRIPTION -- The types of facilities to be upgraded or developed under this program might include, but may not be limited to:

- picnic areas,
- beach areas,
- boat launches and docks,
- potable water supply,
- parking areas.

FINANCING -- Ten sites are being funded this year to a maximum of $100,000 per project. Operating funds to a maximum of $20,000 are available to each site in subsequent years.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1982/83	1983/84
	$1,000,000	$1,000,000

TIME FRAME -- This program may be extended beyond the current fiscal year.

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BE FIT FOR LIFE

OBJECTIVES -- To increase community awareness of the benefits of fitness and to encourage more Albertans to get involved in fitness activities.

ELIGIBILITY

a) Local Community Fitness Project

This program is available to municipalities and incorporated community organizations to operate a community fitness project.

b) Community Fitness Co-ordination Project

This program is available to municipalities to fund the hiring of a fitness co-ordinator.

DESCRIPTION -- The Be Fit for Life financial assistance programs can be used for the following costs:

a) Local Community Fitness Project

- fitness promotion,
- fitness education,
- program materials,
- honoraia,
- other related items.

b) Community Fitness Co-ordination Project

- Salary of a fitness co-ordinator.

FINANCING

a) Local Community Fitness Project

A total of $30,000 to be awarded in portions no greater than $2,000.

b) Community Fitness Co-ordination Project

A total of $34,000 to be awarded into portion of $17,000 each.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1982/83	1983/84
Local	$30,000	$30,000
Community	$34,000	$34,000

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date. Applications must be received not later than:

Local	August 1st
Community	August 1st

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RECREATION FOR THE DISABLED

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To aid and encourage the development of recreation programs and services to persons with disabilities.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available only to municipalities. Incorporated/registered community agencies may be considered as a program provider, but only through the support and endorsement of the local municipal recreation authority.

DESCRIPTION -- The Recreation for the Disabled Financial Assistance Program can be used only to offset the direct staffing costs associated with the provision of the program.

FINANCING -- Projects meeting eligibility are priorized and top prospects selected.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1982/83	1983/84
	$430,000	$430,000

TIME FRAME -- Application deadlines are set yearly and based on program priority. This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

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municipal associations
and organizations

HOSTING GRANT PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES

1. To encourage municipalities and registered organizations to bid for and host national and/or international events.

2. To encourage the development of support systems and personnel to organize such events.

3. To provide Albertans with greater sport and recreational opportunities within the province.

4. To bring selected facilities and equipment up to international standards.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to provincial recreation associations, incorporated organizations, municipalities or persons fulfilling the grant requirements.

DESCRIPTION -- The Provincial Government will consider financial assistance for the following:

a) Operational - office rental, furniture, telephone, stationery, office supplies/equipment, staff salaries/benefits, equipment, facilities rental, training of officials, transportation (internal), public relations/promotion, committee meetings, awards, other (i.e. insurance),

b) Capital - renovations, upgrading.

FINANCING -- Funding varies dependent upon organizations proposed budget. General guidelines are as follows:

a) one quarter cost for operational/administrative expenses,

b) one-third cost for capital expenditures.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1982/83	1983/84
	$200,000	$200,000

TIME FRAME -- Application for major national or international events should be submitted at least two years prior to the event or at least one year prior to the reviewing of bids by the official sanctioning body.

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REGIONAL SPORT FESTIVALS

OBJECTIVES -- To encourage sport participation and to increase sport competition opportunities for individuals and communities for enjoyment, fitness, health, and a sense of community spirit.

ELIGIBILITY -- Available to incorporated regional recreation associations or host communities of the recognized regional games.

DESCRIPTION -- This grant may be used for regional games administration and operation. Examples of allowable administration and operation expenses are as follows:

- telephone costs,
- office supplies,
- shipping and postal expenses,
- printing costs (including printing tickets, program booklets, etc.),
- travel, transportation, and living allowances for officials, and referees,
- auditor's fees and other report costs,
- insurance, liabilities,
- purchase or rental of essential equipment not available from host communities,
- cost of buttons, medals, ribbons, crests, etc.,
- public transportation of athletes and coaches within the host community (eg. bus service between accommodations and the various venues),
- cost of volunteer recognition (eg. plaques),
- clinic costs (this is in addition to the regular regional clinics that may receive funding from Alberta Recreation and Parks).

FINANCING -- Seven projects with a maximum of $5,000 per project will be funded each year.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1982/83	1983/84
	$35,000	$35,000

TIME FRAME -- Application for financial assistance is to be made in the fiscal year the event is being held and prior to the date of the games. This is an ongoing program that has no known termination date.

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DISCOVER ALBERTA

OBJECTIVES

1. To provide financial assistance to youth groups for travel in Alberta.

2. To encourage an interaction with other Albertans and to develop an appreciation of difference individual lifestyles, physical environments and communities.

3. To encourage participation in the planning, organizing and execution of a travel project.

ELIGIBILITY -- Available to:

1. Organizations registered under the Society's Act.

2. School groups recognized by the Department of Education, whose travel has been approved by their Education Authority.

DESCRIPTION

1. Preference for funding will be given to groups whose trips will expose them to environments and lifestyles which are significantly different from their own. Projects should demonstrate ample opportunity for interaction between travel participants and individuals in the hosting centres.

2. Preference for funding will be given to high-priority groups; northern isolated groups, mentally or physically handicapped groups and youth groups that would not normally have the opportunity to travel within the province.

3. Projects should demonstrate substantial community fund-raising activity on the part of the youth participants.

4. Projects should demonstrate substantial community youth involvement in itinerary and activity planning.

5. Projects should demonstrate high potential for the personal growth of the youth participants.

FINANCING -- The program provides for assistance in amounts not exceeding $500.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1982/83	1983/84
	$23,000	$23,000

Applications are received year-round.

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

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RECREATION WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES

1. To provide temporary employment in the field recreation for Alberta students in a degree or diploma program of recreation or recreation-related studies.

2. To provide financial assistance to Recreation Boards and Provincial Recreation Associations to hire students to provide services not normally offered.

ELIGIBILITY -- Available to Municipal Recreation Boards and Provincial Recreation Associations, also to students in a degree or diploma program of recreation or recreation-related studies.

DESCRIPTION -- Applications from Boards and Associations for positions are allotted priority according to the following criteria:

1. Projects should be outside of normal funding activities and resources.

2. Projects should be developing untapped areas of recreation services.

3. Projects should assist the community or association in achieving its various recreation development objectives.

4. Projects should allow for expansion of existing program.

5. Direct supervision of student is the employer's responsibility.

6. Positions should not be for activity leaders, swimming instructors, playground leaders.

FINANCING -- Recreation Work Experience Program is an element of Summer Temporary Employment Program. Recreation Work Experience Program receives its funding through Summer Temporary Employment Program which is funded by the Department of Manpower.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1982/83	1983/84
	$250,000	$200,000

TIME FRAME -- This program was implemented in 1973 and is approved on an annual basis. Applications are due approximately mid-March depending on project approval.

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TRAIL DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To aid and encourage organized trail development throughout Alberta.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to municipalities, incorporated organizations, provincial recreation associations or persons fulfilling the grant requirements.

DESCRIPTION -- The Trail Development Financial Assistance grants can be used for the following costs directly related to construction only:

- reasonable salaries and wages,
- administration costs for stationery, printing, postage, telephones and supplies,
- travel, accommodation and meals,
- construction supplies, non-capital equipment and equipment rentals,
- maintenance, repair and upgrading costs for existing trails.

FINANCING -- Six to eight projects with a maximum of $5,000 per project will be funded each year.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1982/83	1983/84
	$30,000	$30,000

TIME FRAME -- Applications must be made by April 1st. This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

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ALBERTA SOCIAL SERVICES
and COMMUNITY HEALTH

ALBERTA DAY CARE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES

1. To support the development of a full range of day care services including day care centres, family day care, nursery schools, etc.

2. To monitor, maintain and review the Day Care Regulation, APPENDIX TO SOCIAL CARE FACILITIES LICENSING ACT which represents the standards of day care for license issuance.

3. To administer the Operating Allowance payment program and the Family Day Home Administrative Fee program.

ELIGIBILITY -- Day Care is a provincially delivered and administered service.

DESCRIPTION

- Provincial program consultation and administrative support is provided to program operators and community groups.
- Provision of day care resource and program development materials to day care community.
- Licensing and monitoring of day care services by the Social Care Facilities Licensing Unit in compliance with Day Care Regulation, APPENDIX TO SOCIAL CARE FACILITIES LICENSING ACT.
- Financial assistance is available to day care operators to improve the staff: child ratio and the net indoor floor space per child.
- Financial assistance is available to sponsoring groups to develop satellite family day home systems.

FINANCING

- The Province will provide grants to municipalities in order to assist in phase-out deficits in publicly operated centres, until August 1, 1983.
- The Operating Allowance program and the Family Day Home Administration program became effective September 1, 1980.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1983/84
	$19,289,000

TIME FRAME -- The Alberta Day Care Program came into effect July 1, 1978 and is an ongoing service.

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INTEGRATED DAY CARE

OBJECTIVES -- To provide opportunities for physically handicapped and mentally retarded children to participate in normal pre-school day care.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to all Alberta municipalities who wish to partake in providing these services.

DESCRIPTION

- Program of day care must be approved by and funded under day care services first.
- Up to 10% of the children in a day care centre may be handicapped.
- Handicapped children must be assessed by Services for the Handicapped personnel.
- Services for the Handicapped Division provides consultative services to program operators.
- Private operators may also receive assistance from this program.

FINANCING -- The Province will reimburse to operators 100% of the costs above the basic cost of day care operation. Upon agreement, the Province will also pay all the capital costs associated with modifying the facilities to make them accessible to the handicapped. Reimbursement is done on a quarterly basis.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$927,952	$1,004,210	$1,004,210

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that was implemented in September 1975. Municipalities must make their applications by January 1st in order to receive support in the next fiscal year.

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FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

OBJECTIVES -- To assist municipalities to develop community awareness, resources, and services which strengthen and preserve human initiative and preclude community and family social breakdown.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to all municipalities.

DESCRIPTION -- Where a municipality provides for the establishment and operation of a Family and Community Support Services program of a nature and in a manner satisfactory to the Minister, the Minister may pay to the municipality:

- A per capita grant which constitutes up to an 80% share of municipal expenses for the administration and planning of the municipal program.
- A grant which constitutes up to an 80% share of municipal expenses for the provision of family and community support services within the municipal program.

FINANCING -- Quarterly advance payments are made to the municipality on the basis of an approved annual agreement for funding forms.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$18,500,000	$23,800,000	$24,806,000

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

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ALBERTA
SOLICITOR GENERAL

LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANT

OBJECTIVES -- To help all urban municipalities paying for their own policing in defraying the rising policing costs.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to all Alberta urban municipalities with a population in excess of 1,500 and who by way of either establishing and maintaining their own police force or entering into a Royal Canadian Mounted Police policing contract are responsible for their own policing.

DESCRIPTION

1. The grant is calculated on a per capita rate of $12 to those urban municipalities who have a Royal Canadian Mounted Police municipal policing contract.

2. To all urban municipalities who provide for their own police force - $18 per capita.

FINANCING -- The department will calculate the grant payable to each urban municipality yearly.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$27,742,500	$29,256,200	$30,594,000

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that was implemented on April 1975. It has no known termination date.

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LIQUOR CONTROL ACT

OBJECTIVES -- To assist those urban municipalities with their own police cells in the Province of Alberta offset the costs of holding an intoxicated person in their cells without charge until such time as the individual being detained is deemed sober.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to all urban municipalities with a population in excess of 1,500 that have gaol cell facilities.

DESCRIPTION -- The grant allows a fee of $7 per person who is held without charge in a cell accommodation maintained by the village, town or city. The village, town or city bills this department monthly for each person lodged in their cells during that month and the billing must be certified by the policy force policing that particular location.

FINANCING -- The village, town or city is entitled to $7 per person per day. Accounts are submitted to the department monthly for certification and processing.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$150,000	$150,000	$150,000

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

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MUNICIPAL POLICE BUILDING SUBSIDY

OBJECTIVES -- To provide assistance to urban municipalities building a new police building or to make repairs to the existing police building.

ELIGIBILITY -- Available to urban municipalities with a population in excess of 1,500 who wish to build their own police facility or renovate their existing police facility.

DESCRIPTION -- The grant is based on two-thirds of the cost of the police building, and in no case will exceed the sum of $100,000. The grant shall be used only for assistance in construction of a police building or portion of the building to be used for police facilities. The cost of the building will not include the land value.

FINANCING -- Payment will be made either when work is completed or as the work progresses, upon receipt of accounts certified by the municipality's auditors.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET

1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
$400,000	$400,000	$400,000

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

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POLICE PHASE-IN GRANT

OBJECTIVES -- To provide financial assistance to municipalities required by the Police Act, 1973 to provide their own policing.

ELIGIBILITY -- Only those urban municipalities whose population has reached an excess of 1,500 and who are responsible for their own policing by way of establishing and maintaining their own police force or by entering into a municipal Royal Canadian Mounted Police policing agreement.

DESCRIPTION -- Once a municipality has signed a municipal policing contract with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police or established their own police force, the Province will then pay a five-year phase-in grant of 60% of the manpower costs the first year, 40% of the manpower costs in year two and 25% in years three, four and five.

FINANCING -- Payment is made to the municipality twice yearly and upon receipt of proof that the Royal Canadian Mounted Police billing has been paid.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$150,000	$150,000	$150,000

TIME FRAME -- This program has a five-year term from the date of original signing. This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

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SUMMER VILLAGE POLICING

OBJECTIVES -- To assist summer villages who supply their own policing from May 15th to November 15th yearly.

ELIGIBILITY -- This grant is available to all summer villages who supply their own policing during the months of May 15th to November 15th inclusive.

DESCRIPTION -- A grant of $500 a month is made available to all summer villages to assist in defraying the cost of the summer special constable.

FINANCING -- Upon proof of payment to the special constable, a monthly billing in the amount of $500 is made to this department.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$18,000	$18,000	$26,000

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government. Applications by summer villages should be made by March 31st of each year.

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ALBERTA TOURISM and SMALL BUSINESS

ALBERTA LOCATIONS PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To assist communities throughout Alberta in achieving a viable, longterm economic base by attracting new business and industries.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to the Councils of all Alberta Municipalities with less than 75,000 residents. The communities must also be able to accommodate the potential new business or industry at the time of application.

DESCRIPTION -- The program is designed to complement existing programs through the provision of financial assistance to individual communities to help defray the costs of:

1. a business prospect's visit to the community; and as a follow-up,

2. a community representative's visit to the prospective business at the written request of a executive director of the business.

The program thereby assists communities in demonstrating their advantages relative to industrial location. This does not include visits between Municipalities and businesses within the Province of Alberta. It does not include any visits by a municipality whatsoever except as a follow-up to a specific business which has previously visited the municipality.

FINANCING -- Funding is supplied only for those expenditures outlined on the application form upon approval.

TIME FRAME -- The Alberta Locations Program is an ongoing program of Alberta Tourism and Small Business.

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ALBERTA INDUSTRIAL LAND PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To assist communities throughout Alberta that wish to provide land for current and future industrial development.

ELIGIBILITY -- The program is restricted to cities, towns and villages that can demonstrate the current and near future requirement for which:

1. The private sector is unwilling or unable to become involved; or

2. The municipality cannot meet the ensuing financial or technical obligations.

The Alberta Industrial Land Program is also designed to assist municipalities that anticipate unusual urban growth requiring serviced industrial land.

DESCRIPTION -- * The Alberta Industrial Land Program is a co-operative effort between the Department of Tourism and Small Business and the Alberta Housing Corporation.

Alberta Tourism and Small Business is responsible for initiating the applications and counselling the municipalities in how to effectively market serviced industrial land. Alberta Housing Corporation is responsible for any purchasing in fulfilling any Land Assembly Applications, and is responsible for acquiring title to properties for any Land Development Applications.

* Refer to Alberta Housing Corporation.

FINANCING -- Financing is done through the Alberta Housing Corporation. Holding costs are prorated over the entire financial term of the project for any outstanding properties. Upon the expiry of the agreement, all land remaining in the assembly/development must be purchased by the municipality.

TIME FRAME -- The Alberta Industrial Land Program is an ongoing program of Alberta Tourism and Small Business and Alberta Housing Corporation.

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ALBERTA
TRANSPORTATION

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URBAN TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM PACKAGE

OBJECTIVES

1. To promote long term planning and implementation of cost-effective, balanced urban transportation systems, taking into consideration equity, efficiency, safety and environmental factors.

2. To respond to urban needs and facilitate dynamic, balanced and diversified economic and social development throughout the whole of the Province by providing financially sound provincial support for urban transportation.

3. To participate with cities in the planning and financial responsibility for those elements of the urban transportation system which are a mutual concern as a vital link in a total provincial transportation system.

ELIGIBILITY -- The programs in this package are provided to financially assist the 12 incorporated cities. In addition, the County of Strathcona (Sherwood Park) is eligible for the Public Transit Capital and Grant-in-Lieu of Public Transit Operating Assistance Programs.

DESCRIPTION -- This program package consists of eight component programs:

1. Public Transit Capital Assistance.
2. Arterial Roadway Capital Assistance.
3. Transportation Systems Management.
4. Major Continuous Corridors.
5. Railway/Highway Grade Separation Structure Assistance.
6. Grant-in-Lieu of Public Transit Operating Assistance.
7. Primary Highway Maintenance Assistance.
8. Research and Development.

Details of each of these programs are provided individually following this summary.

The eight programs can be grouped according to the types of administrative procedures which are applied, as follows:

1. Programs administered under the terms of conditional grant agreements

   - Public Transit Capital Assistance
   - Arterial Roadway Assistance
   - Transportation Systems Management
   - Major Continuous Corridors
   - Railway/Highway Grade Separation Structure Assistance

   (One agreement covers these three programs)

2. Unconditional grant programs

   - Grant-in-Lieu of Public Transit Operating Assistance
   - Primary Highway Maintenance Assistance

3. Project Program

- Research and Development

FINANCING -- Over 900 million dollars has been committed over the six years of the program package.

TIME FRAME -- This program package was implemented on April 1, 1979 and continues to March 31, 1985.

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PUBLIC TRANSIT CAPITAL ASSISTANCE

OBJECTIVES

1. To improve the quality of life in urban areas by assisting municipalities in the provision of mobility for urban residents who, by choice or by necessity, utilize public transit.

2. To assist urban municipalities in providing efficient and cost-effective public transit services.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to the 12 incorporated cities in Alberta, plus the County of Strathcona (Sherwood Park).

DESCRIPTION -- Eligible urban areas which currently operate public transit systems receive funds on a cost shareable basis of up to 100% of the maximum amount granted annually under this program, to assist in the cost of constructing transit facilities such as approved LRT lines and transit vehicle storage and maintenance facilities, or purchasing transit rolling stock and other equipment.

Those cities not presently operating public transit systems receive funds under this program in order to establish systems in the future, when warranted.

Cities who wish to may transfer Public Transit Capital Assistance funds for use on current approved roadway improvements.

As at the end of fiscal year 1982/83, the Province has committed $154,387,000 to Public Transit projects.

FINANCING -- Levels of funding for the Public Transit Capital Assistance Program have been set as follows over the six years of the current program.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET

1979/80	1980/81	1981/82
$27,064,000	$36,449,000	$42,664,000

		SUBJECT TO REVIEW
1982/83	1983/84	1984/85
$48,210,000	$49,039,000	$53,249,000

TIME FRAME -- This program was implemented in its current form on April 1, 1979 and continues to March 31, 1985.

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ARTERIAL ROADWAY CAPITAL ASSISTANCE

OBJECTIVES

1. To financially assist in the development of major arterial roadways which are extensions of, or directly support, the provincial primary highway system.

2. To encourage and financially assist in the development of adequate intra-urban route continuity and to facilitate the efficient movement of people and goods within cities.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to the 12 incorporated cities in Alberta.

DESCRIPTION -- The Province contributes two-thirds of the shareable costs incurred by a city in the planning, right-of-way acquisition and construction phases of approved major arterial roadway projects (to the maximum amount granted annually).

As at the end of fiscal year 1982/83, the Province has committed $143,876,000 to Arterial Roadway projects.

FINANCING -- Levels of funding for the Arterial Roadway Capital Assistance Program have been set as follows over the six years of the current program.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET

1979/80	1980/81	1981/82
$27,000,000	$30,747,000	$38,430,000

		SUBJECT TO REVIEW
1982/83	1983/84	1984/85
$47,699,000	$43,426,000	$45,120,000

TIME FRAME -- This program was implemented in its current form on April 1, 1979 and continues to March 31, 1985.

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TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT

OBJECTIVES -- To assist cities in implementing cost-effective improvements to maximize the efficiency and capacity of their existing urban transportation systems. These improvements are supported as an alternate and/or interim solution to delay high-cost capital construction projects.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to the 12 incorporated cities in Alberta.

DESCRIPTION -- The Province contributes two-thirds of the shareable costs on improved projects (to the maximum granted annually).

As at the end of fiscal year 1982/83, the Province has committed $10,591,000 to Transportation Systems Management project.

FINANCING -- Levels of funding for the Transportation Systems Management Program have been set as follows over the six years of the current program.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1979/80	1980/81	1981/82
	$1,500,000	$2,533,000	$3,079,000

			SUBJECT TO REVIEW
	1982/83	1983/84	1984/85
	$3,479,000	$3,479,000	$3,479,000

TIME FRAME -- This program was implemented on April 1, 1979 and continues to March 31, 1985.

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MAJOR CONTINUOUS CORRIDORS

OBJECTIVES -- To financially assist in the planning and construction of one continuous high-standard roadway of provincial priority and local importance through approved cities.

ELIGIBILITY -- The incorporated cities in Alberta are eligible to apply for this program. The City of Fort McMurray is currently excluded because its one primary highway is being upgraded and maintained by the Province, under a special agreement.

DESCRIPTION -- The Province provides 90% of approved costs up to a maximum specified for each project. The maximum provincial share is established on a project-by-project basis.

As at the end of fiscal year 1982/83, the Province has committed $204,350,897 to corridor projects in 7 cities.

FINANCING -- Funding levels budgeted under the Major Continuous Corridors Program for the six years of the current program are:

PROVINCIAL BUDGET

1979/80	1980/81	1981/82
$36,500,000	$41,826,000	$44,897,897

		SUBJECT TO REVIEW
1982/83	1983/84	1984/85
$81,127,000	$42,000,000	$41,000,000

These budgets depend on the status of ongoing and new corridor projects.

TIME FRAME -- The Major Continuous Corridor Program was implemented in April, 1977. The current program began on April 1, 1979 and continues to March 31, 1985.

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RAILWAY/HIGHWAY GRADE SEPARATION STRUCTURE ASSISTANCE

OBJECTIVES

1. To replace funding lost to Alberta cities by the cancellation of the federal program of financial assistance to railway/highway grade separation structure construction.

2. To assist Alberta municipalities in the development and construction of railway/highway grade separation structures conducive to the efficiency and safety of the urban transportation system.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to the 12 incorporated cities in Alberta.

DESCRIPTION -- The Province contributes toward the cost of constructing necessary separation structures on both roadway and light rail transit systems. The funding formula is as follows:

1. For separation structures on approved major continuous corridors through cities - 90% of eligible costs after the railway's contribution;

2. For separation structures on the approved arterial roadway network - two-thirds of eligible costs after the railway's contribution;

3. For separation structures on light rail transit lines, whether road/rail or rail/rail - two-thirds of eligible costs after the railway's contribution.

The railway's contribution will be negotiated jointly by the city and the Province on a project-by-project basis.

FINANCING -- Funding available under the Railway/Highway Grade Separation Structure Assistance Program will be $7,500,000 per year for a program total of $45,000,000 over six years.

TIME FRAME -- This program was implemented on April 1, 1979 and continues to March 31, 1985.

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GRANT-IN-LIEU OF PUBLIC TRANSIT OPERATING ASSISTANCE

OBJECTIVES

1. To reduce or eliminate public transit operating deficits.

2. To contribute to the provision of specialized services for senior citizens, disabled and handicapped persons.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to the 12 incorporated cities in Alberta, plus the County of Strathcona (Sherwood Park).

DESCRIPTION -- Urban areas receive unconditional grants under this program as a contribution towards any public transit operating deficit and/or towards the provision of specialized transportation services for senior citizens or disabled individuals.

As at the end of fiscal year 1982/83, the Province has committed $45,120,800 to Public Transit Operating Assistance Grants.

FINANCING -- Areas with approved public transit services now receive an annual grant of $10 per capita (which includes a contribution towards senior citizens and/or disabled transportation services). The population figures used are from the population list published by Alberta Municipal Affairs.

Cities without public transit systems receive $2 per capita, based on the population list published by Alberta Municipal Affairs, toward transportation services for senior citizens, disabled and handicapped persons.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET

1979/80	1980/81	1981/82
$9,143,802	$9,734,971	$12,396,533

		SUBJECT TO REVIEW
1982/83	1983/84	1984/85
$13,845,494	$14,481,224	$14,770,848

TIME FRAME -- This program was implemented in its present form April 1, 1979 and continues to March 31, 1985.

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PRIMARY HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE ASSISTANCE

OBJECTIVES -- The Province provides these unconditional grants to assist in the maintenance of provincial highways within the cities corporate limits.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to 11 of the incorporated cities in Alberta. The City of Fort McMurray is currently excluded because its one primary highway is maintained by the Province.

DESCRIPTION -- This is an unconditional grant to help defray the cost of maintaining extensions of the primary highway system within city boundaries.

As at the end of fiscal year 1982/83, the Province has committed $8,832,940 to Primary Highway Maintenance Assistance.

FINANCING -- The cities now receive an annual grant of $3,000 per lane mile of primary highway within their corporate limits. Levels of funding for the Primary Highway Maintenance Assistance Program have been set as follows over the six years of the current program.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET

1979/80	1980/81	1981/82
$1,557,000	$1,784,000	$2,405,000

		SUBJECT TO REVIEW
1982/83	1983/84	1984/85
$3,086,940	$2,920,830	$2,979,247

TIME FRAME -- This program was implemented in its present form April 1, 1979 and continues to March 31, 1985.

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RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

OBJECTIVES -- To assist financially in the conduct of development and/or applied research activities to provide more effective and efficient urban transportation systems in the Province's cities and major urban areas.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to the 12 incorporated cities in Alberta. The County of Strathcona (Sherwood Park) also has been eligible for special projects.

DESCRIPTION -- The Province contributes two-thirds of the shareable costs on approved projects. The Provincial contribution may be increased up to 100% of the shareable costs if Alberta Transportation determines that the research addresses significant multi-jurisdictional concerns.

FINANCING -- Funding available under the Research and Development Program is $1,500,000 per year for a program total of $9,000,000 over six years.

TIME FRAME -- This program was implemented in its present form April 1, 1979 and continues to March 31, 1985.

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ALBERTA AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- Assist in the upgrading of existing airports in Alberta communities, enabling development of air services and attendant industrial activities. Provide bases for Forest Protection Water Bombing.

ELIGIBILITY -- Municipalities which already have airports.

DESCRIPTION -- The Department will provide the upgrading of airport facilities. Assistance includes:

Overlay of runway, taxiway and apron areas, access roads, expansion of building development areas, car parks and modest community airport terminal buildings.

Municipalities must contact Alberta Transportation for assistance. If the project is approved, Alberta Transportation will fund and supervise the construction.

FINANCING -- Virtually 100% financing by Alberta Transportation.

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

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ALBERTA HAMLETS STREETS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To provide special assistance for improving streets in Alberta Hamlets within Municipal Districts, Counties, Improvement Districts and Special Areas.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is only available to those areas of land that are officially designated as hamlets.

DESCRIPTION -- The types of street improvements which will be eligible for this funding will include construction of lasting street and sidewalk facilities serving both road users and pedestrians. These improvements will include grading, gravelling, acceptable quality oil treatments, stabilized gravel base/paving, concrete sidewalks, curbs and gutters, roadway storm sewers and drainage systems, bridges, traffic signs and signals and street lighting. Applications must be submitted by the appropriate rural municipality on behalf of the Hamlet.

FINANCING -- Eligibility for assistance is based on $30,000 basic grant plus $60 per capita for Hamlets with populations of 100 or more; and $10,000 basic grant plus $60 per capita for Hamlets with populations of 50 to 100. Hamlets with populations of less than 50 will be reviewed on an individual basis by Transportation Regional staff in co-operation with rural Councils to ascertain whether assistance is warranted.

A Ministerial Order designating the hamlet boundaries and a Statutory Declaration of population are required with application for the program.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$1,000,000	$1,000,000	$1,000,000

TIME FRAME -- This program was implemented on April 1, 1979 and will terminate on March 31, 1985.

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CULVERT INSTALLATION GRANT

OBJECTIVES -- To provide technical and financial assistance to Counties and Municipal Districts with large culvert installations (5 feet in diameter or larger) which serve in lieu of bridges.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is primarily available to Counties and Municipal Districts. Assistance is also provided to towns and villages when such installations are on road allowances.

DESCRIPTION -- In late summer, Alberta Transportation accepts requests from municipalities covering their requirements for bridge structures. Selection and priority for grants is determined on the basis of a demonstrated need to the extent that funding is available.

This grant will pay toward such costs as preparation of foundation, assembly of culvert, backfill under haunches and rip rap. It does not cover the cost of grading approaches or machine placed fill in the grade over the pipe.

FINANCING -- Alberta Transportation will contribute towards the acceptable installation of large culverts (5 feet in diameter or larger) and will supply the necessary culvert material at no cost to the Road Authority. The contribution is paid only if the design specifications and instructions are adhered to.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET -- No specific yearly funding levels established due to major fluctuations of need.

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

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PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION OPERATING ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To provide to the municipalities without public transit unconditional assistance which may be used:

- as a contribution in the establishment of specialized transportation services for senior citizens, the disabled and the handicapped,
- as a contribution towards subsidization or upgrading of existing taxi/transportation services for the benefit of senior citizens, the disabled and the handicapped.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to all Alberta municipalities without established public transit services.*

DESCRIPTION -- This is an unconditional grant which is to be used in assisting the transportation of senior citizens, the disabled and the handicapped. It may be used to establish or assist in the establishment of a particular transportation service or the direct subsidization or upgrading of existing taxi/transportation services.

FINANCING -- Towns, Villages, Municipal Districts, Counties, Improvement Districts and Special Areas without public transit will receive $2 per capita yearly based on their annual census population.

The population figures used in the grant calculations will be in accordance with the most recent confirmed figures published by Alberta Municipal Affairs.

The total 1983/84 unconditional grants-in-lieu of transit operation assistance and contributions for transportation to senior citizens and handicapped persons is $1,562,156.

TIME FRAME -- This program was implemented on April 1, 1979 and will expire on March 31, 1985.

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* For cities see Urban: Grant-in-Lieu of Public Transportation Operating Assistance.

GRANTS TO COUNTIES AND MUNICIPAL DISTRICTS

OBJECTIVES -- To assist the Counties and Municipal Districts with construction projects involving upgrading, gravelling, and paving with an aim to improve the road network to a standard that will satisfy the traffic demand and need.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available only to the Counties and Municipal Districts in Alberta.

DESCRIPTION -- Program allocations are calculated by formula. Factors considered in the calculation of grant money assigned to Counties and Municipal Districts on an annual basis involve population, equalized assessment, miles of opened road (including local and secondary roads less miles of paved roads) and a terrain factor that takes into account difficult construction problems. Projects are prepared on an Articles of Agreement form and are reviewed by the District Transportation Engineer with each Council.

FINANCING -- The Department funds 100% of the project up to the amount of the municipalities' formula eligibility. 50% of the funds are advanced by cheque as soon as a signed Trust Agreement is received from the municipalities. The balance is paid once the work is completed and inspected.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$24,071,400	$25,087,600	$25,087,600

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

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RAILWAY CROSSING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To assist municipalities with their share of the capital cost of improving railway crossings on roads under municipal jurisdiction - excluding roads under city administration.

DESCRIPTION -- The program is designed to improve safety at existing railway crossings and to assist municipalities to obtain new crossings that may be needed. It includes the installation of automatic protection signals, clearing of sight lines, improving of grades, etc.

Municipalities must apply to Alberta Transportation to make their needs known. Alberta Transportation, in turn, will forward the application to the Railway Transport Committee of the Canadian Transport Commission and provide any engineering or technical information required.

FINANCING -- At crossings on secondary roads, the Department pays 100% of the road authority's share (municipality's share) of the cost of the improvement.

At crossings on other local roads, the Department pays 50% of the road authority's share of the cost of the improvement.

The Department does not contribute toward the cost of maintaining crossings or automatic protection signals.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET -- Not available as these costs are included with other expenditures in municipalities.

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government that has no known termination date.

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ENGINEERING ASSISTANCE GRANT

OBJECTIVES -- To provide financial assistance to Counties and Municipal Districts for the required engineering work associated with regular road grant projects.

ELIGIBILITY -- This program is available to all Counties, Municipal Districts and Special Areas in Alberta.

DESCRIPTION -- Allocations are based on the level of the municipality's Regular Road Grant allocation. Projects proposed for this grant are submitted to the District Transportation Engineer and if approved an Article of Agreement is prepared to cover the projects. This grant can be used to engage private engineering consultants or to cover engineering services provided by Alberta Transportation. If department engineering services are utilized the appropriate costs are deducted from the municipal allocations.

FINANCING -- The Department funds 100% of the project's eligible costs up to the amount of the municipality's allocation. Claims for the funds are submitted to the District Transportation Engineer upon completion of the projects covered under the Articles of Agreement.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$595,000	$665,000	$665,000

TIME FRAME -- This is an ongoing program which has no known termination date.

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ALBERTA UTILITIES and TELECOMMUNICATIONS

UTILITIES OFFICER PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To make the services of a knowledgeable individual available to rural municipal authorities; to assist in the organization, development and regulation of utilities within their jurisdictional area.

ELIGIBILITY -- Available to all Municipal Districts, Counties, Improvement Districts, and Special Areas in the Province, within which there is a substantial rural gas utility either in operation or under consideration.

DESCRIPTION -- The Utilities Officer to be qualified through attendance and passage of a training course provided by the Department of Utilities and Telecommunications in order to be available for advice and assistance to ratepayers within the local government authorities jurisdictional areas; and also to assist the local council with the setting out and administration of appropriate and applicable regulation of all types of utilities. Grant support is to apply only to direct utility-related functions. Budgets and expenditure statements are required to be submitted to the Department of Utilities and Telecommunications, including separation of costs of different functions, if applicable.

FINANCING -- Up to $15,000 per year is available to each rural municipal authority based on submission of a budget and an actual expenditure statement at the end of each calendar year. All costs in excess of this amount are to be borne by the local employing authority.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1982/83	1983/84
	$855,000	$825,000

TIME FRAME -- This program was instituted in conjunction with the Rural Gas Program in 1973. It is seen as a continuing program with no known termination date.

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NORTHERN SUPPLEMENTARY FUND

OBJECTIVE -- To provide funding in Northern Alberta for initiating or improving water and sewage facilities where, even with local revenues and other sources of income, the costs of projects are far in excess of the provincial norm.

ELIGIBILITY -- Available to municipalities within the jurisdiction of the Northern Alberta Development Council. This is an area north of the southern boundaries of Improvement Districts #15, 16, 17 and 18 and County #9.

DESCRIPTION -- Preference will be given to communities with a demonstrated health problem, low tax base, and insufficient sources of other funds so as to render the project financially feasible.

Funding is approved in Alberta Utilities and Telecommunications' budget with each annual allocation schedule approved by the Rural Development Cabinet Committee upon recommendation of an interdepartmental committee. The interdepartmental committee is chaired by the Northern Development Branch of the Northern Alberta Development Council under the Department of Tourism and Small Business. It is attended by the Departments of Utilities and Telecommunications, Environment, Municipal Affairs, Native Affairs, Advanced Education, Housing, and Energy and Natural Resources.

Under this program:

(1) The interdepartmental committee recommends allocations for the next fiscal year based on information received through the Departments represented on the committee. Feasibility studies are of assistance in helping to allocate the funds.

(2) The municipality applies for the grant after funding has been allocated in the budget for the applicable fiscal year.

(3) Terms and conditions are attached to the grant allocation specifying its use and procedures to be taken if it is not used.

FINANCING -- The grant is paid in one installation for each fiscal allocation.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET

1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	1986/87	1987/88
$5,360,000	$5,360,000	$3,360,000	$3,360,000	$1,680,000

TIME FRAME -- This fund was implemented in 1977 and has been extended to 1987/88.

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ALBERTA PHOSPHORUS REMOVAL GRANT PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To assist municipalities with the capital cost of installing phosphorus removal facilities as part of their sewage treatment system.

ELIGIBILITY -- The program is administered by Alberta Utilities and Telecommunications, with the need for phosphorus removal facilities at sewage treatment plants being determined with the co-operation of Alberta Environment. Municipalities directed by Alberta Environment to install phosphorus control facilities are deemed eligible for assistance from this program.

ELIGIBLE COSTS -- The capital cost of all facilities directly or indirectly associated with phosphorus removal facilities are considered eligible costs. Depending on process(es) used to control phosphorus, these facilities could include:

a) chemical handling and storage facilities;
b) chemical feed equipment;
c) additional clarifier capacity;
d) additional sludge handling, treatment and disposal capacity or equipment;
e) additional metering capacity or equipment; and
f) additional piping capacity.

When facility costs are only partially attributable to phosphorus control, eligible costs are determined according to the following formula:

$$\frac{\text{capacity (size) required considering phosphorus removal} - \text{capacity (size) required if phosphorus removal was not required}}{\text{capacity (size) required considering phosphorus removal}} \times \text{Total Capital Cost of Required Unit}$$

NOTE: The Phosphorus Removal Grant Program is intended to assist only on the initial implementation of phosphorus control facilities at a sewage treatment plant and will not provide financial assistance on future expansions to these facilities.

FINANCING -- The demand for financial assistance may exceed the available budget and it is therefore stressed that this program will be administered on the basis of funding being provided only to projects as priorized by the Government of Alberta. Municipalities must not assume that they will receive financial assistance until they have entered into an agreement that has been signed by the Minister of Utilities and Telecommunications.

The formula developed for the program is based on the construction costs of eligible phosphorus removal facilities. The municipality must incur an expenditure of $20 per capita on phosphorus control works before becoming eligible for a phosphorus removal grant. The Province will then provide a grant of 90% of all eligible costs above the $20 per capita qualifying amount. The program does not have an upper limit on assistance, however, the total program budget may limit the financial assistance available in any given year. The $20 per capita qualifier amount is scheduled to remain fixed through the 6 year life of the program.

PROGRAM BUDGET

1980/81	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86
$500,000	$5,000,000	$8,000,000	$4,000,000	$4,000,000	$1,500,000

TIME FRAME -- This assistance program was established in September of 1980 and is scheduled to terminate March 31, 1986.

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ALBERTA MUNICIPAL WATER SUPPLY AND SEWAGE TREATMENT GRANT PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To assist municipalities with the capital cost of installing modern and adequate facilities for water supply and sewage treatment.

ELIGIBILITY -- Cities, towns, villages, hamlets, summer villages, improvement districts, special areas and other administrative bodies established under the Municipal Government Act are eligible for assistance from this program. In addition, the Minister may require that the appropriate municipal grants be directed to a regional authority where it has been demonstrated that the implementation of a regional water and/or sewage scheme is the most cost effective and environmentally sound proposal. Co-operatives are not eligible to use this and should refer their situation to the County, M.D. or I.D. in which they operate.

DESCRIPTION -- Municipalities eligible for assistance will be considered in two categories: Firstly, those who are upgrading or replacing their present supply and treatment facilities, and secondly, those who are installing new public waterworks and/or sewage systems where previously there were none.

Existing Facilities (Sewage):

In an existing sewage system, the following components can be claimed for financial assistance:

a) A trunk sewer from the end of the collection system to the sewage treatment facility;

b) A sewage treatment facility; and

c) An outfall from the sewage treatment facility to the point of final discharge.

Existing Facilities (Waterworks):

In an existing waterworks system the following components can be claimed for financial assistance:

a) A raw water intake and supply line, including wells;

b) A water treatment facility;

c) A water storage facility; and

d) A water transmission line, from the treatment plant and/or storage, up to the distribution system.

New Facilities:

Components acceptable for assistance in a new system include those listed above for an existing system, and in addition, a sewage collection and/or waterworks distribution system, up to, but not including, the individual connection at the property line.

NOTE: Alberta Utilities and Telecommunications will not approve nor enter into a cost sharing agreement with a municipality for a water supply project unless adequate sewage facilities exist or are being constructed on a concurrent basis.

FINANCING -- The demand for financial assistance may exceed the available budget and it is therefore stressed that this program will be administered on the basis of funding being provided only to projects as priorized by the Government of Alberta. Municipalities must not assume that they will receive financial assistance until they have entered into an agreement that has been signed by the Minister of Utilities and Telecommunications.

Smaller communities often find the costs of their projects far exceeding the maximum grant available. To accommodate the smaller communities the grants will now vary according to population.

First-dollar sharing of costs was introduced in July 1983. Project costs will be shared on a 75/25 provincial/municipal basis for the first 600 persons, and on a 50/50 basis for the population from 601 to 100,000. This program is effective July 18, 1983 and will apply to all agreements executed by the Minister from that date. The grant calculations will take into consideration the accumulated costs of projects which have received grants since the introduction of the program in April 1979. Municipalities receiving assistance from this grant program will be encouraged to support Alberta companies supplying goods and services to the water works and sewage industry.

The upper limit remains at $2,100 per capita for communities of 600 or more population. Communities of less than 600 population will be eligible for a proportionately larger grant. In this instance the formula is $2,100 + $5(600-population) for the upper limit. For example, a community with a population of 300 would have an upper limit in the program of $2,100 + $5(600-300) or $3,600. Communities will be eligible for this increased upper limit of financial assistance only if the long-term financial viability of the project can be verified. Now all communities regardless of size, will be reasonably assured of the opportunity of having affordable water and sewage systems.

The specific grants will be calculated by the Department of Utilities and Telecommunications in accordance with established priorities and criteria. Municipalities **must not** assume that a grant will be provided until such time as written confirmation of said grant is received from this office.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$75,000,000	$87,000,000	$70,000,000

TIME FRAME -- This assistance program was implemented on April 1, 1979 and is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

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REGIONAL WATER AND SEWAGE GRANT PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES -- To provide cost effective and environmentally acceptable water and sewage facilities.

ELIGIBILITY -- The following criteria used to establish eligibility under the Regional Utilities Grant Program:

1. The urban and rural municipalities serviced must be considered a municipality under the Municipal Government Act.

2. The development of regional schemes are more cost effective and/or environmentally desirable than independent schemes.

DESCRIPTION -- The Minister of Utilities and Telecommunications is responsible for the implementation and interpretation of the program which will be administered by the Department of Utilities and Telecommunications.

Under this program:

1. The Department will conduct studies to determine the feasibility of regional water and/or sewage schemes for specific areas of the province. The studies can either be initiated by the Department where it deems that a regional system may be beneficial or upon request by a group of municipalities.

2. Implementation of the recommendations of a regional water or sewage study may be undertaken by:

   a) The municipalities involved in the regional concept. The terms and conditions of the Municipal Water Supply and Sewage Treatment Grant Program would apply after construction is completed, or

   b) The Department of Utilities and Telecommunications which would initially provide funds for the design and construction of the required facilities. Once completed, the facilities would be turned over to the municipalities, and the terms and conditions of the Municipal Water Supply and Sewage Treatment Grant Program applied, with the municipalities reimbursing the province the applicable amount.

3. The Department will, where deemed appropriate, negotiate with any municipality for the purchase of any portion of a facilities or establish any new facility that is required in a regional concept. This cost shall be included in the overall cost of the regional system.

4. Where a municipality or municipalities are developing a water and/or sewage facility and the Department considers it appropriate to build excess capacity into the facilities for future users, the Department may require such oversizing and will compensate the municipality at an appropriate cost.

5. In Regional systems, boards, composed of the user municipalities, may be established for management and administration. These boards could be established by legislation as corporate entities. Until legislation is passed, the user municipalities shall be responsible for the operation, maintenance and administration of the regional scheme. Formally established regional water and sewage boards will permit more effective implementation and financing of water and sewage facilities than is presently available under existing arrangements.

6. The Alberta Municipal Water Supply and Sewage Treatment Grant Program will be available to the boards for financial assistance. In order to keep the program equitable, the Department will consider the water and sewer debt position of individual member municipalities for eligible works that would normally qualify under the program, (i.e. treated water reservoirs, sewage outfall lines) and taken this into consideration when assessing the Provincial grant.

FINANCING -- The formula developed for the program is based on the construction costs of eligible water and/or sewage projects, and will have separate qualifying levels of $300 per capita for each element. That is, a municipality must incur an expenditure of $300 per capita on water supply works to become eligible for a water supply grant. Likewise a municipality must incur an expenditure of $300 per capita on sewage treatment works to become eligible for grant assistance.

When a regional scheme is constructed, the municipalities serviced will be responsible for the qualifying amount of $300 per capita for each element. For that portion of the capital cost exceeding $300 per capita the province will provide a grant of 90% of the cost between $300 and $2,100 per capita. Therefore, the municipality will be responsible for $300 per capita plus 10% of the balance. Should the project costs exceed a combined upper limit of $2,100 per capita, the municipality will be responsible for these higher costs.

The qualifier for the current 1983/84 fiscal year is $300 per capita and this will increase to $325 per capita on April 1, 1984.

PROVINCIAL BUDGET	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84
	$20,000,000	$40,000,000	$50,000,000

TIME FRAME -- This assistance program was implemented on April 1, 1979, and is an ongoing program of the Provincial Government.

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APPENDICES

APPENDIX A

PROGRAM ADDITIONS

ALBERTA MANPOWER

- Priority Employment Program (P.E.P.)
- Canada- Alberta New Employment Expansion and Development Program (N.E.E.D.)

ALBERTA UTILITIES AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

- Alberta Phosphorous Removal Grant Program
- Regional Water and Sewage Grant Program

ALBERTA DISASTER SERVICES

- Disaster Assistance Program

APPENDIX B

PROGRAM DELETIONS

ALBERTA AGRICULTURE

- Rat Control

ALBERTA SOCIAL SERVICES AND COMMUNITY HEALTH

- Social Allowance for Employables - Payment to Municipalities

ALBERTA TRANSPORTATION

Cities

- Urban Signing Project

Smaller Urban and Rural

- Streets Assistance Program

APPENDIX C

PROGRAM TRANSFERS/CONSOLIDATIONS

ALBERTA ADVANCED EDUCATION AND MANPOWER

- Summer Temporary Employment Program (S.T.E.P.)

* now administered by Alberta Manpower

ALBERTA ENVIRONMENT

- Alberta Municipal Water Supply and Sewage Treatment Grant Program

- Northern Supplementary Fund

* now administered by Alberta Utilities and Telecommunications

ALBERTA HOUSING AND PUBLIC WORKS

- Alberta Municipal Housing Incentive Program

* now administered by Alberta Housing

- Grants-In-Lieu of Taxes

* now administered by Public Works, Supply and Services

ALBERTA MUNICIPAL AFFIARS

- Homeowner Refund

* now consolidated under Property Tax Reduction Benefits

- Senior Citizen Owner Occupied Mobile Home Renter Assistance Grant

* now consolidated under Senior Citizen Renter Assistance Grant